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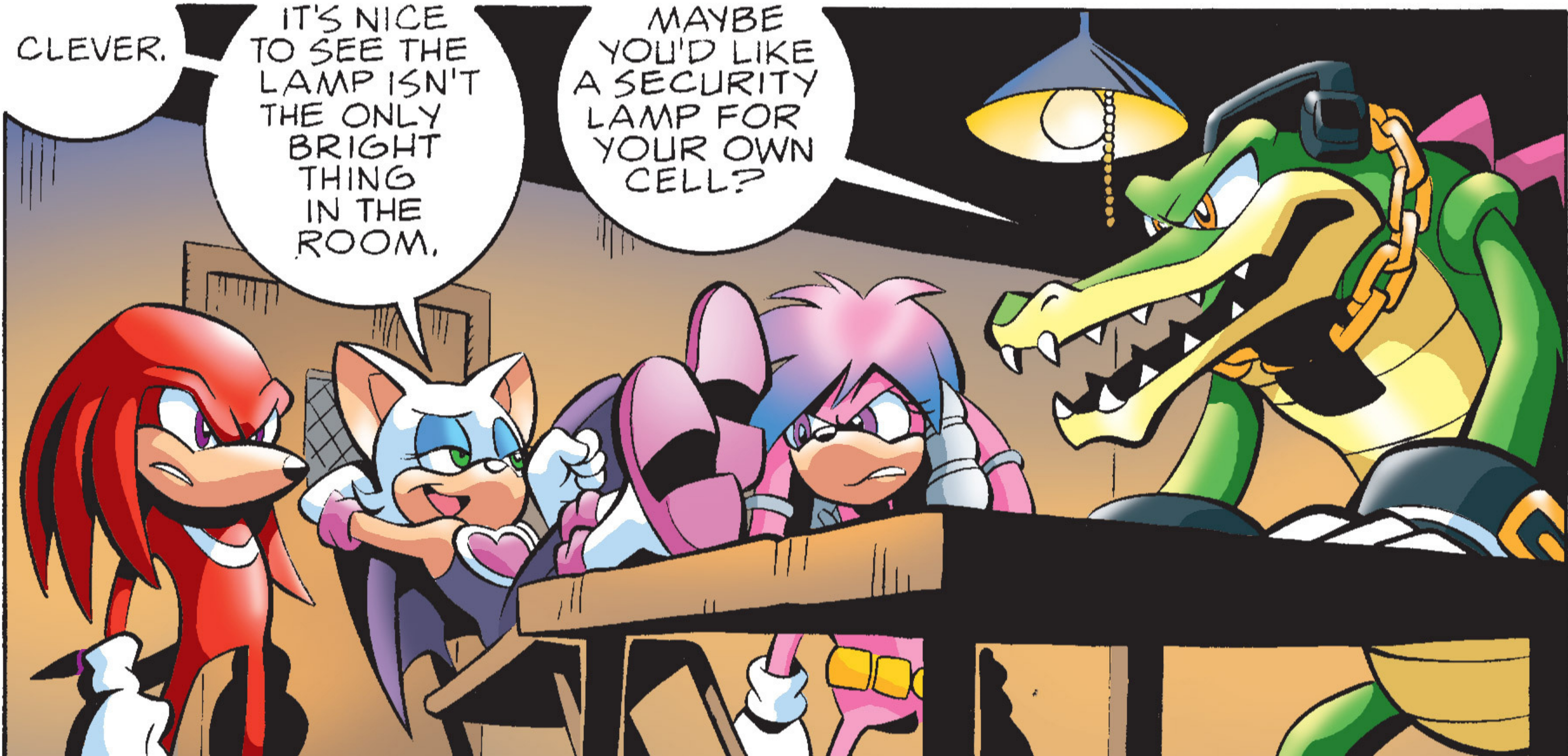
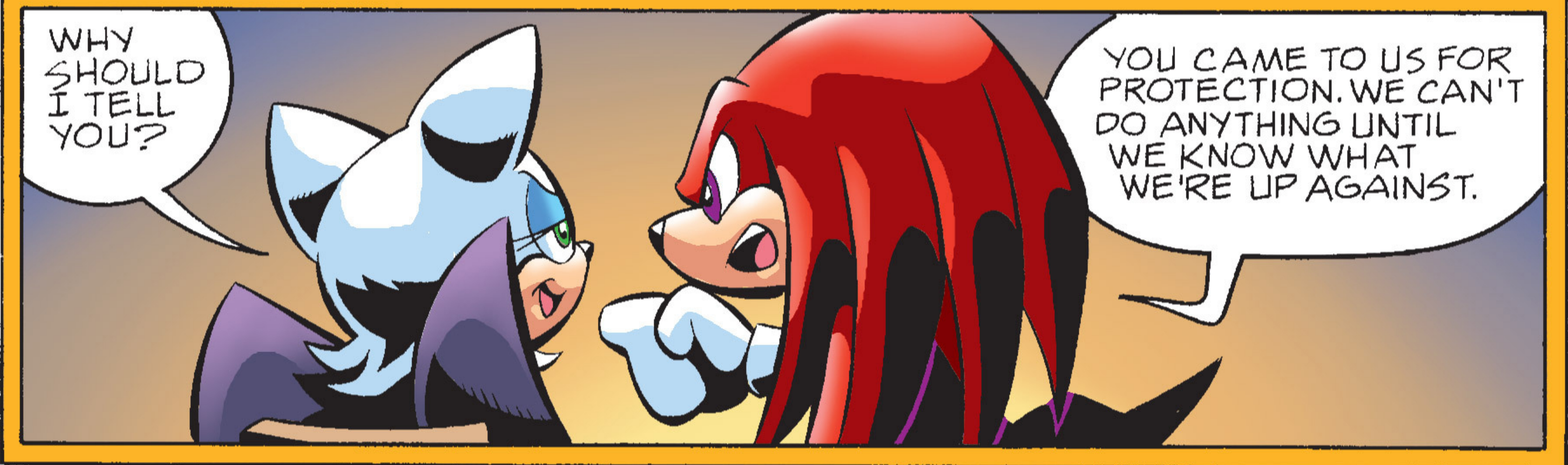
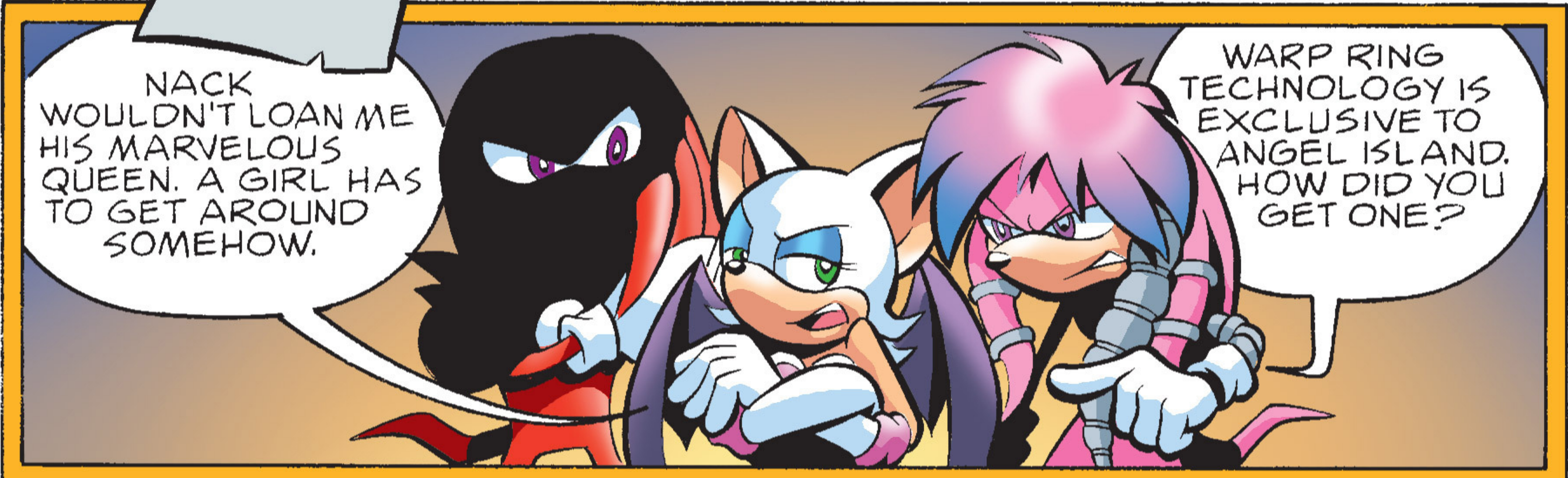
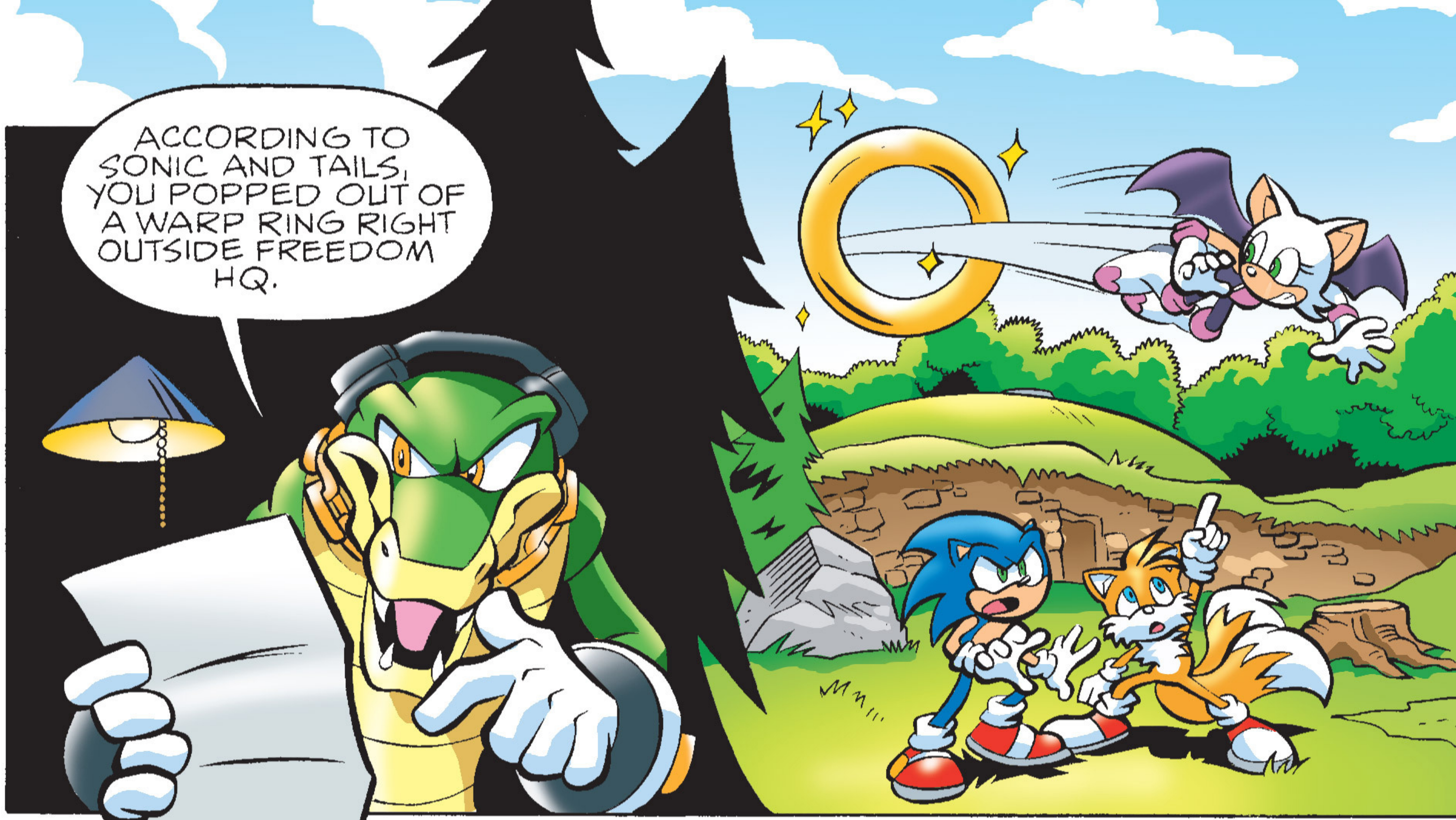
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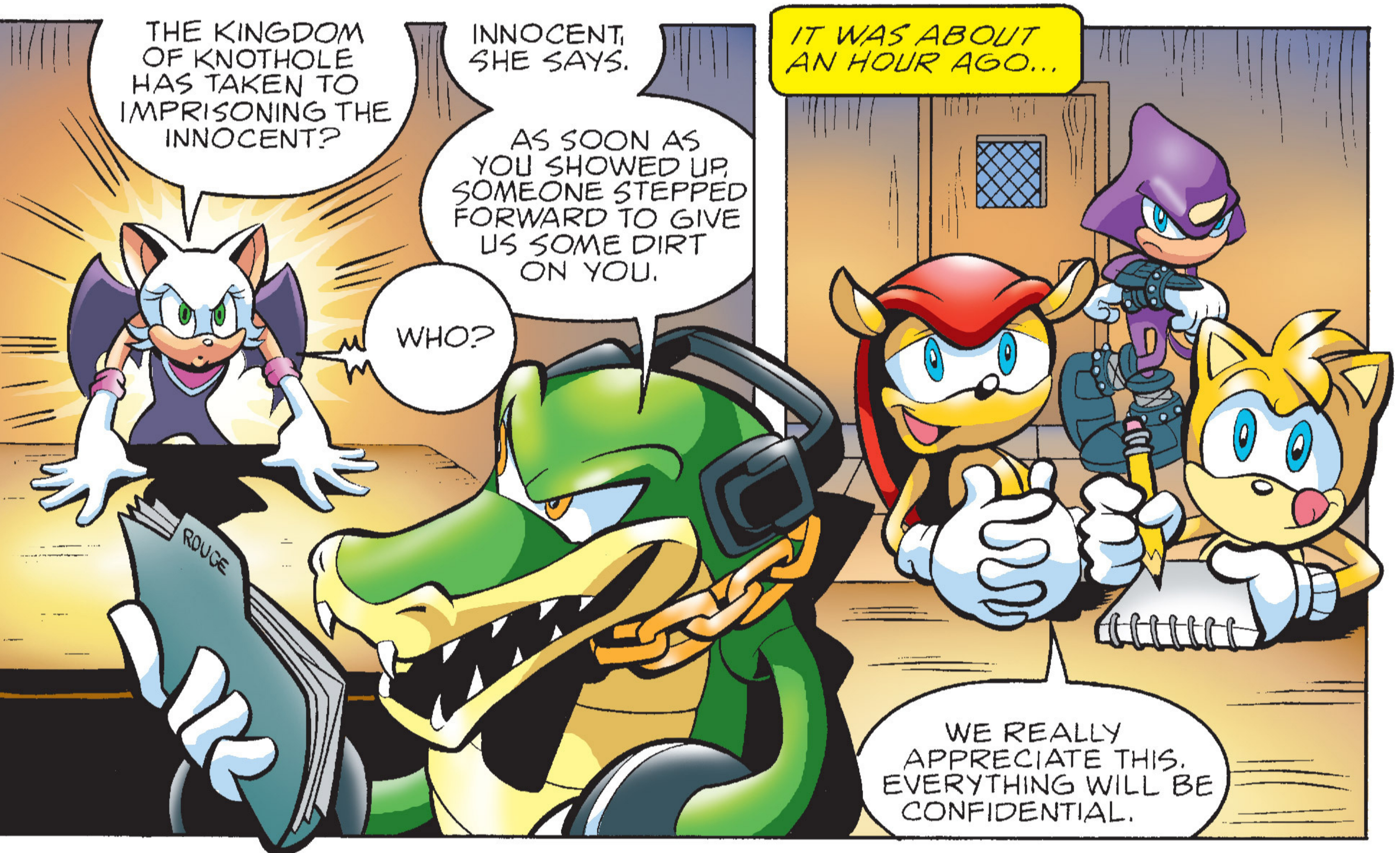
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THE KINGDOM OF KNOTHOLE HAS TAKEN TO IMPRISONING THE INNOCENT?

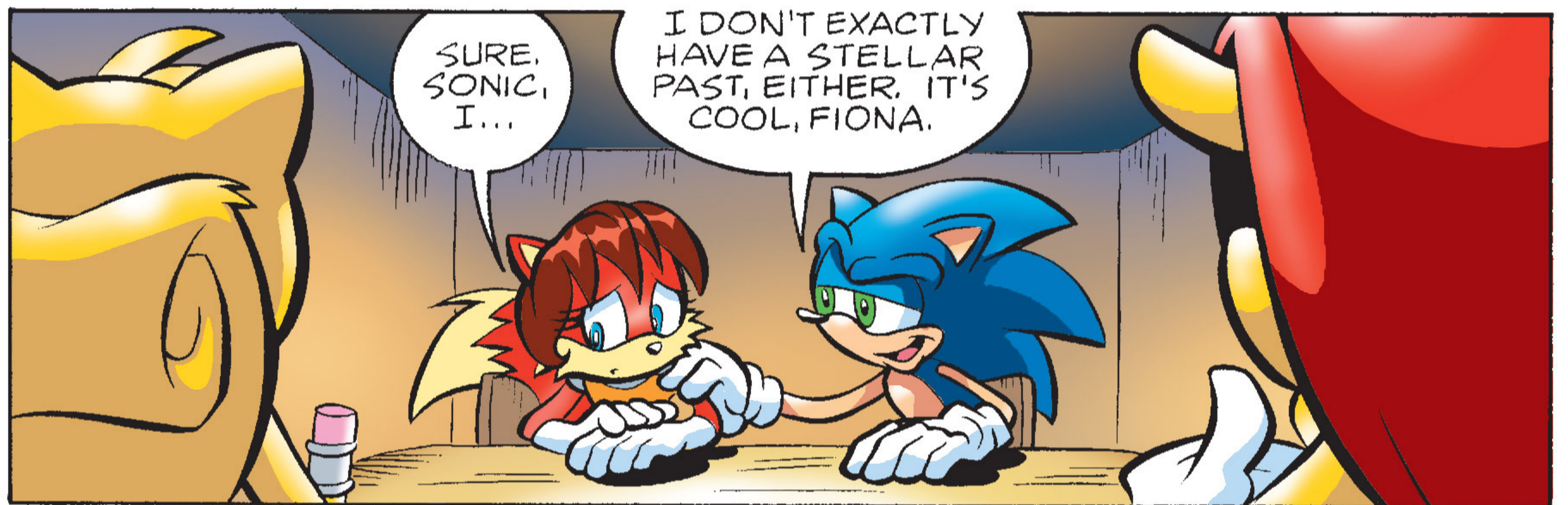
INNOCENT, SHE SAYS.

IT WAS ABOUT AN HOUR AGO...

WHO?

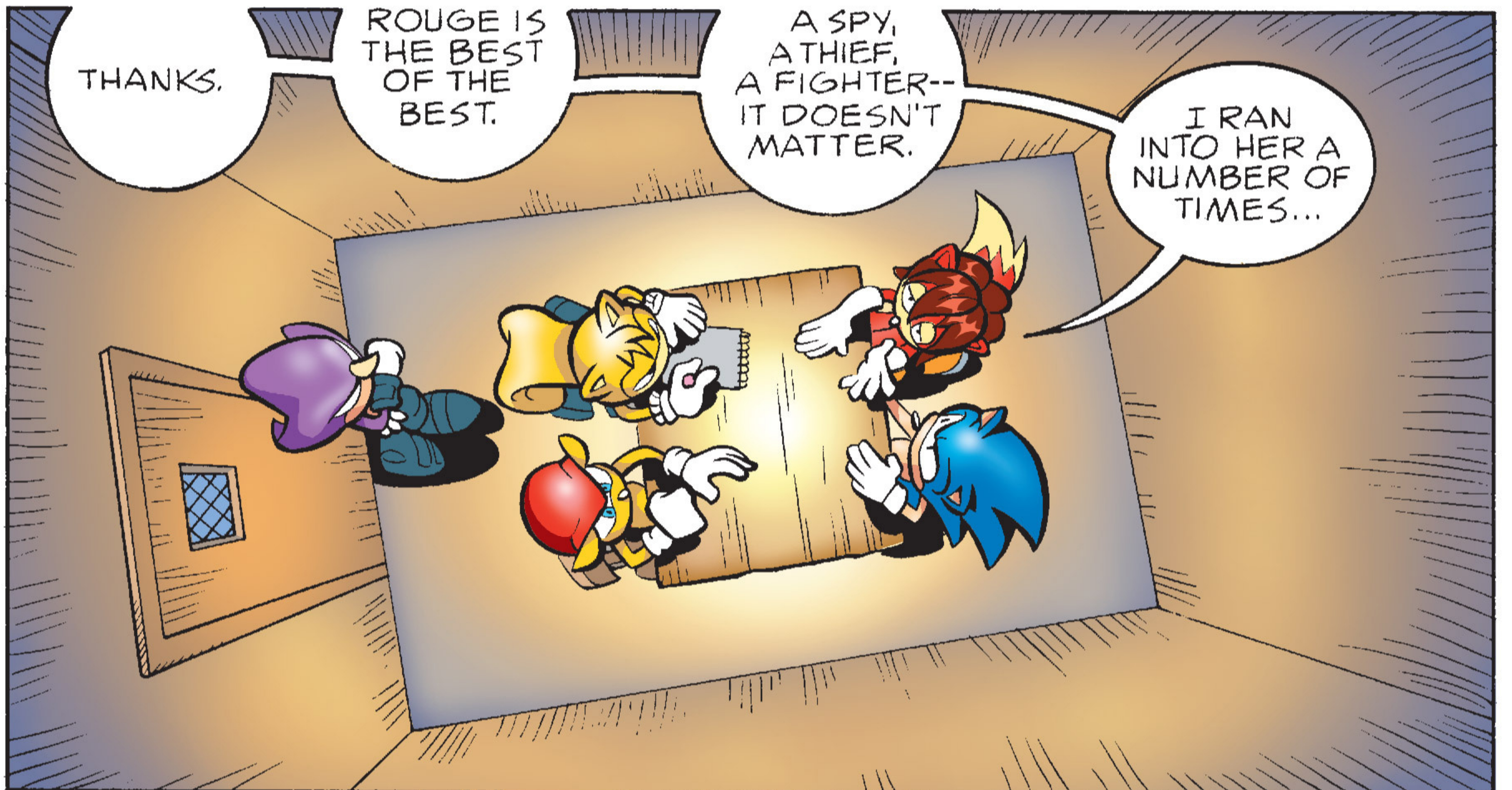
AS SOON AS YOU SHOWED UP, SOMEONE STEPPED FORWARD TO GIVE US SOME DIRT ON YOU.

WE REALLY APPRECIATE THIS. EVERYTHING WILL BE CONFIDENTIAL.



SURE, SONIC, I...

I DON'T EXACTLY HAVE A STELLAR PAST, EITHER. IT'S COOL, FIONA.

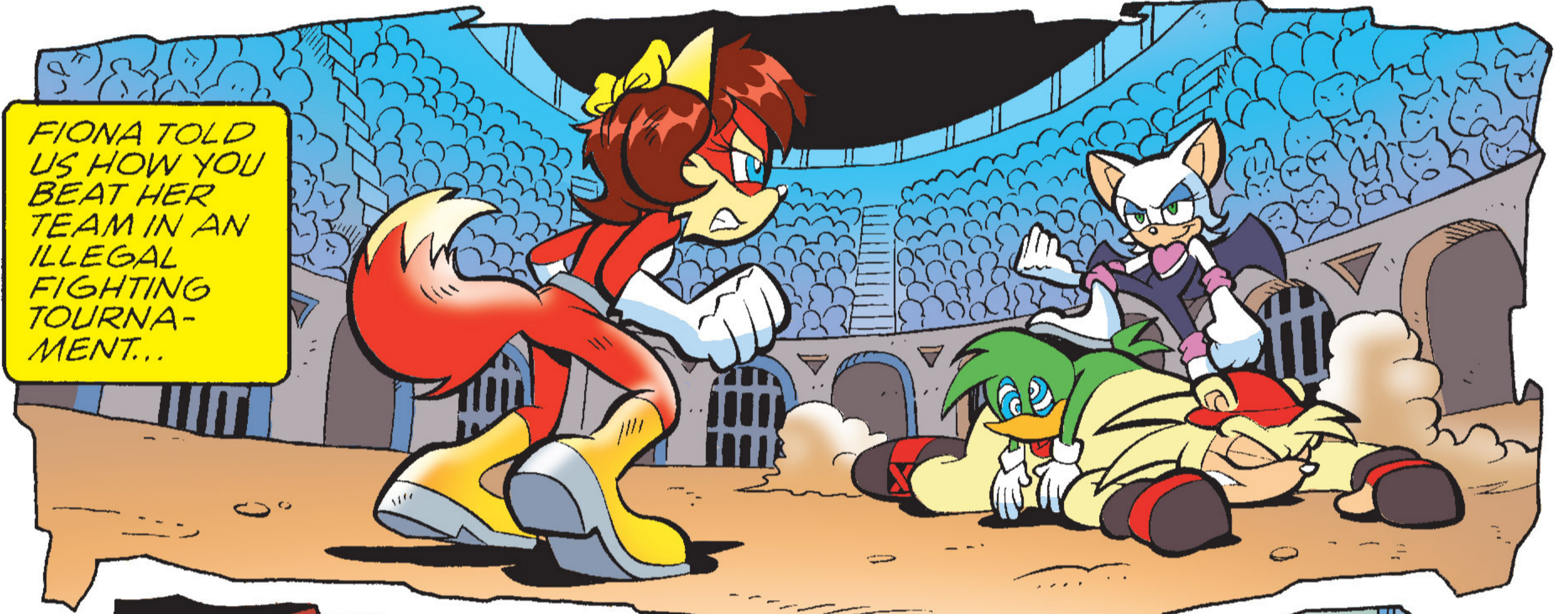


THANKS.

ROUGE IS THE BEST OF THE BEST.

A SPY, A THIEF, A FIGHTER-- IT DOESN'T MATTER.

I RAN INTO HER A NUMBER OF TIMES...



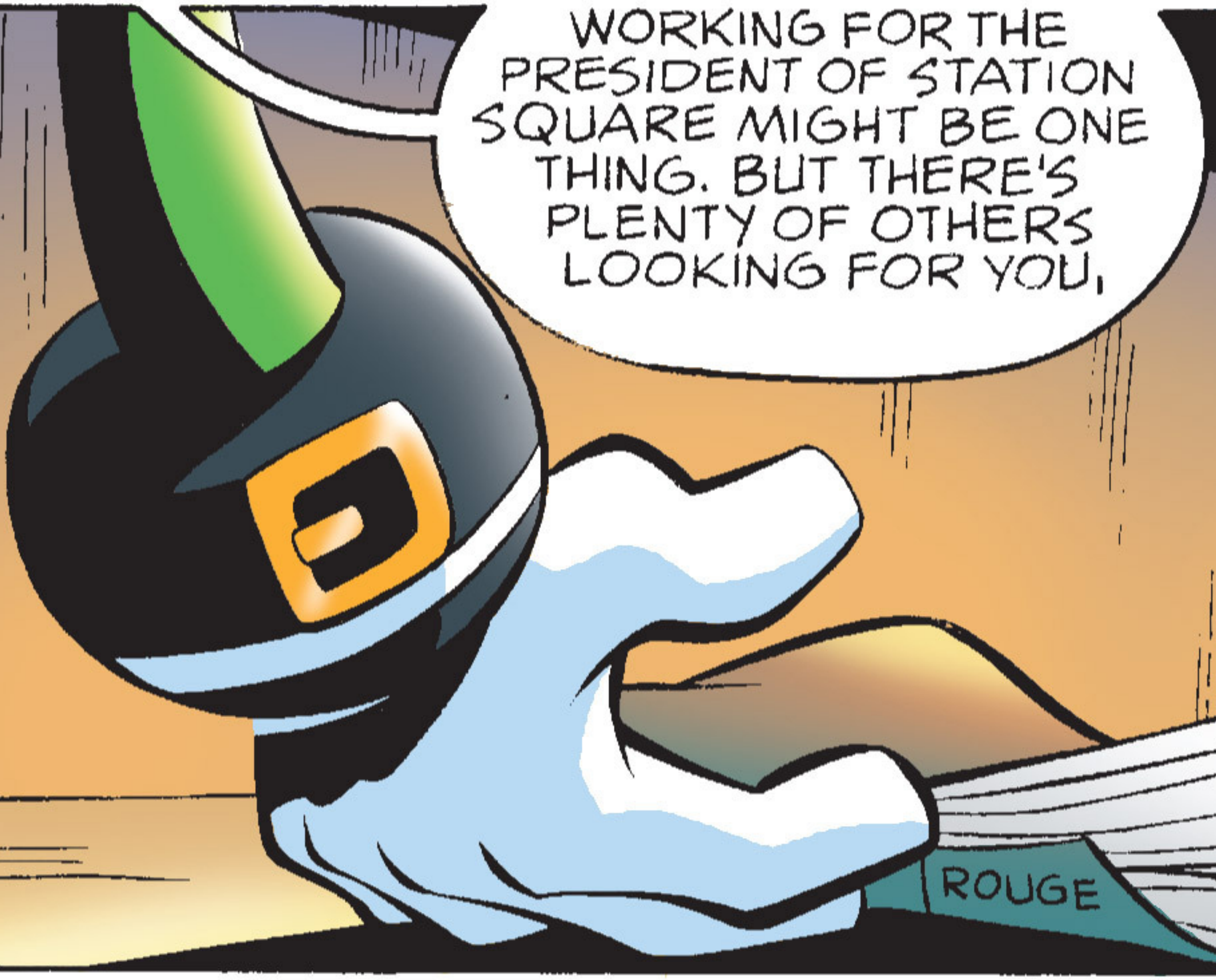
FIONA TOLD US HOW YOU BEAT HER TEAM IN AN ILLEGAL FIGHTING TOURNAMENT...



...AND HOW YOU BEAT HER OUT OF EVERY TREASURE-- BOTH ANCIENT...



... AND ILLEGAL!




WORKING FOR THE PRESIDENT OF STATION SQUARE MIGHT BE ONE THING. BUT THERE'S PLENTY OF OTHERS LOOKING FOR YOU,


FINE. I'LL FILL YOU IN FROM WHEN I WAS LAST HERE. DEAL?

DEAL.


ROUGE



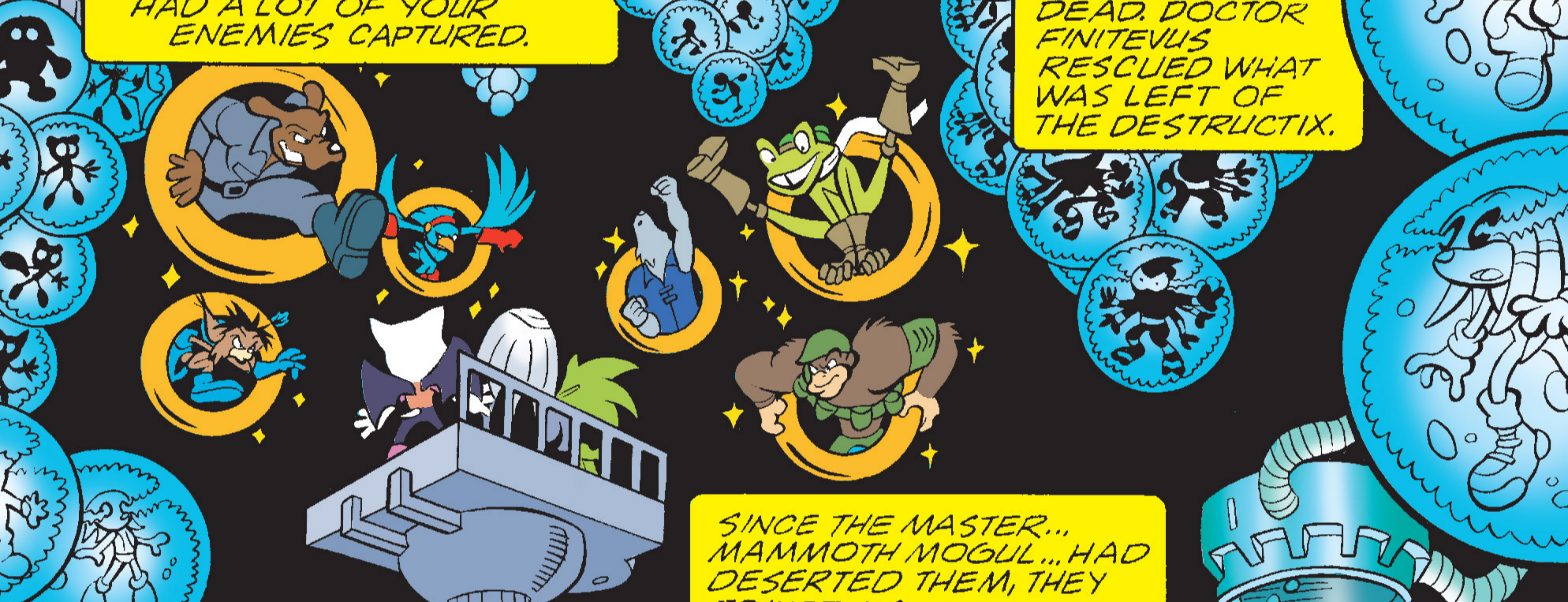
SCOURGE AND I ESCAPED VIA WARP RING. IT WAS SENT BY A MADMAN NAMED DR. FINITEVUS. HE WANTED OUR HELP IN RETURN FOR THE RESCUE.




WE HELPED HIM BREAK INTO ROBOTNIK'S EGG VINYARD. IT TURNS OUT HE HAD A LOT OF YOUR ENEMIES CAPTURED.



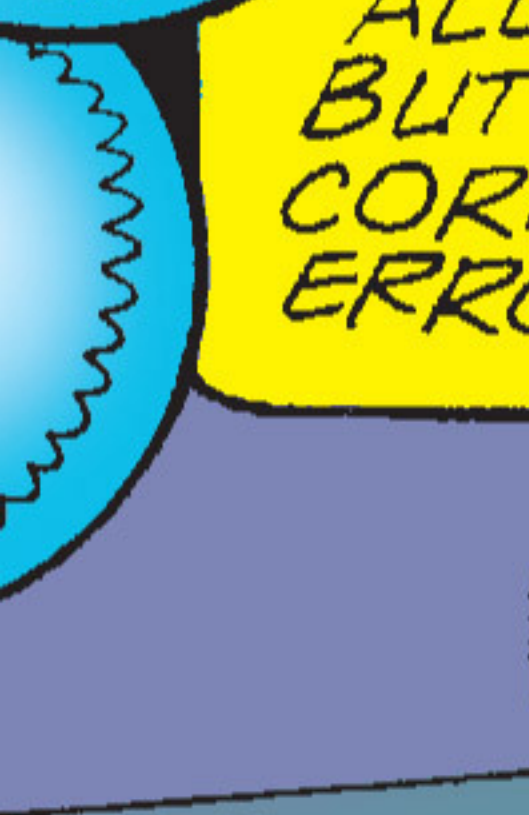
HALF OF THEM WERE ALREADY DEAD. DOCTOR FINITEVUS RESCUED WHAT WAS LEFT OF THE DESTRUCTIX.




SINCE THE MASTER... MAMMOTH MOGUL... HAD DESERTED THEM, THEY JOINED US.




FINITEVUS BROUGHT US BACK TO A BASE GUARDED BY SOME ANCIENT ROBOT CALLED ISAAC. HE WANTED TO STEAL ALL OF ISAAC'S DATA, BUT MOST OF IT WAS CORRUPT OR ERRONEOUS.



I MEAN, IT WAS GUARDING A FROZEN CORPSE. CAN A ROBOT GO INSANE?



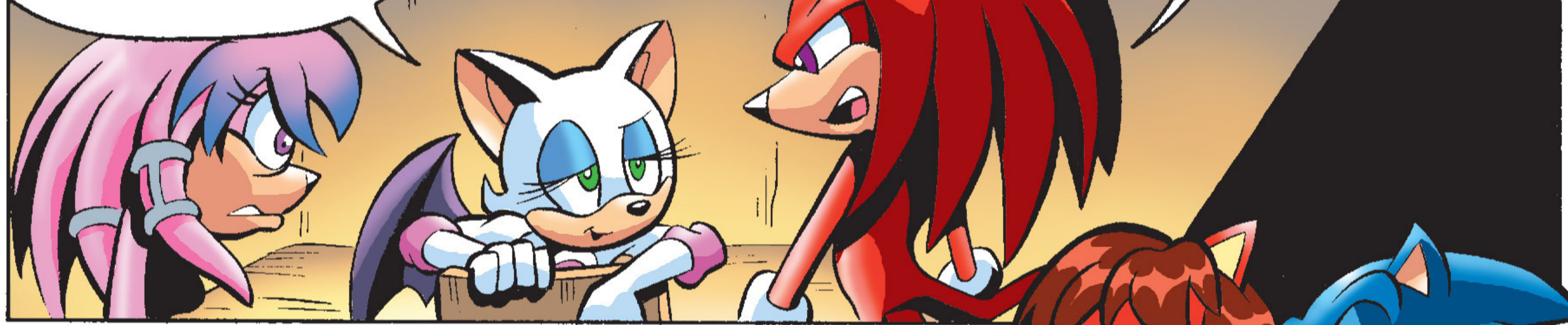
ANYWAY, FINITEVUS WAS LOOKING TO CONTROL DOZENS OF ANCIENT MISSILES. WHEN I FOUND OUT HE PLANNED ON USING THEM...



... I RUINED ALL OF THEM, HE DIDN'T LIKE THAT.

SO I STOLE ONE OF HIS WARP RINGS AND CAME HERE, SEE? I CAN BE A GOOD GIRL.

WERE YOU FOLLOWED?



PROBABLY.

CHEER UP, FI. YOU DID GOOD BACK THERE.

I KNOW, BUT...

...YOU FORGAVE BUNNIE AND THE OTHERS FOR MISTAKING SCOURGE FOR YOU, RIGHT?

YEAH, IT'S NO BIG DEAL. EVERYTHING GOT WORKED OUT. WHY?

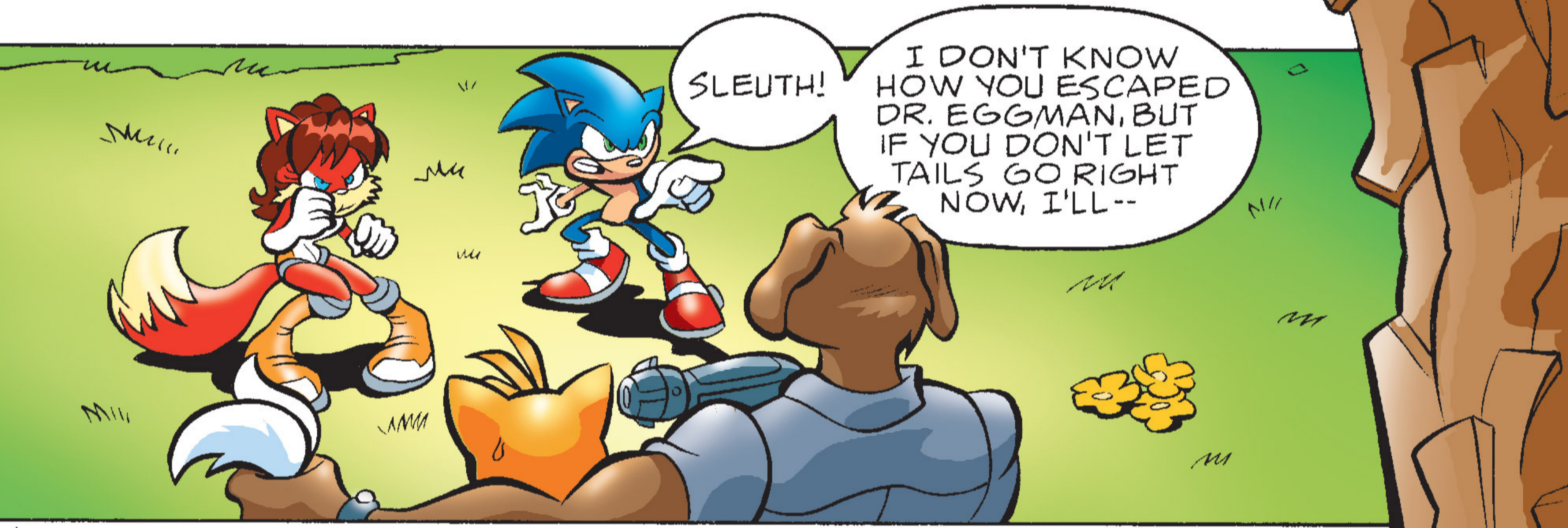
WELL...IT'S JUST THAT...

HEY, TAILS! YOU GOT YOUR TAILS IN A KNOT OR SOMETHING?

S-SONIC... I'M SORRY. THEY JUST SNUCK UP AND...

THAT'S ENOUGH. HELLO, SONIC.





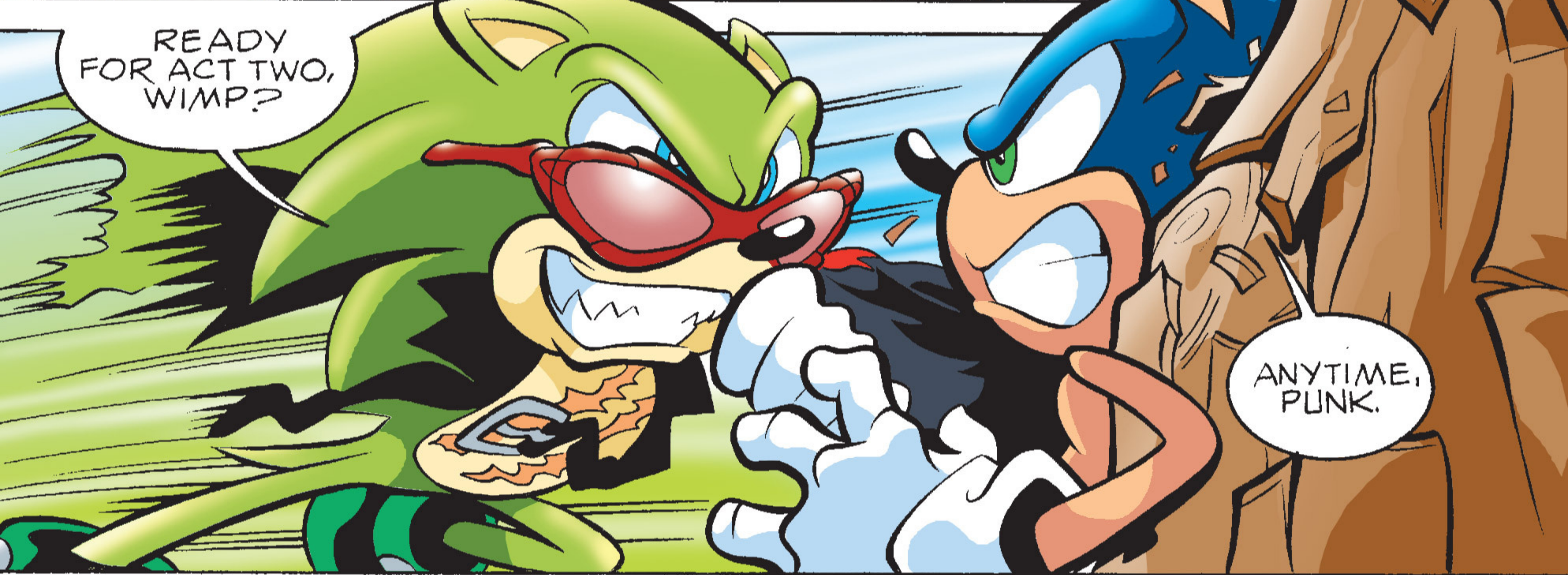
SLEUTH!

I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU ESCAPED DR. EGGMAN, BUT IF YOU DON'T LET TAILS GO RIGHT NOW, I'LL--



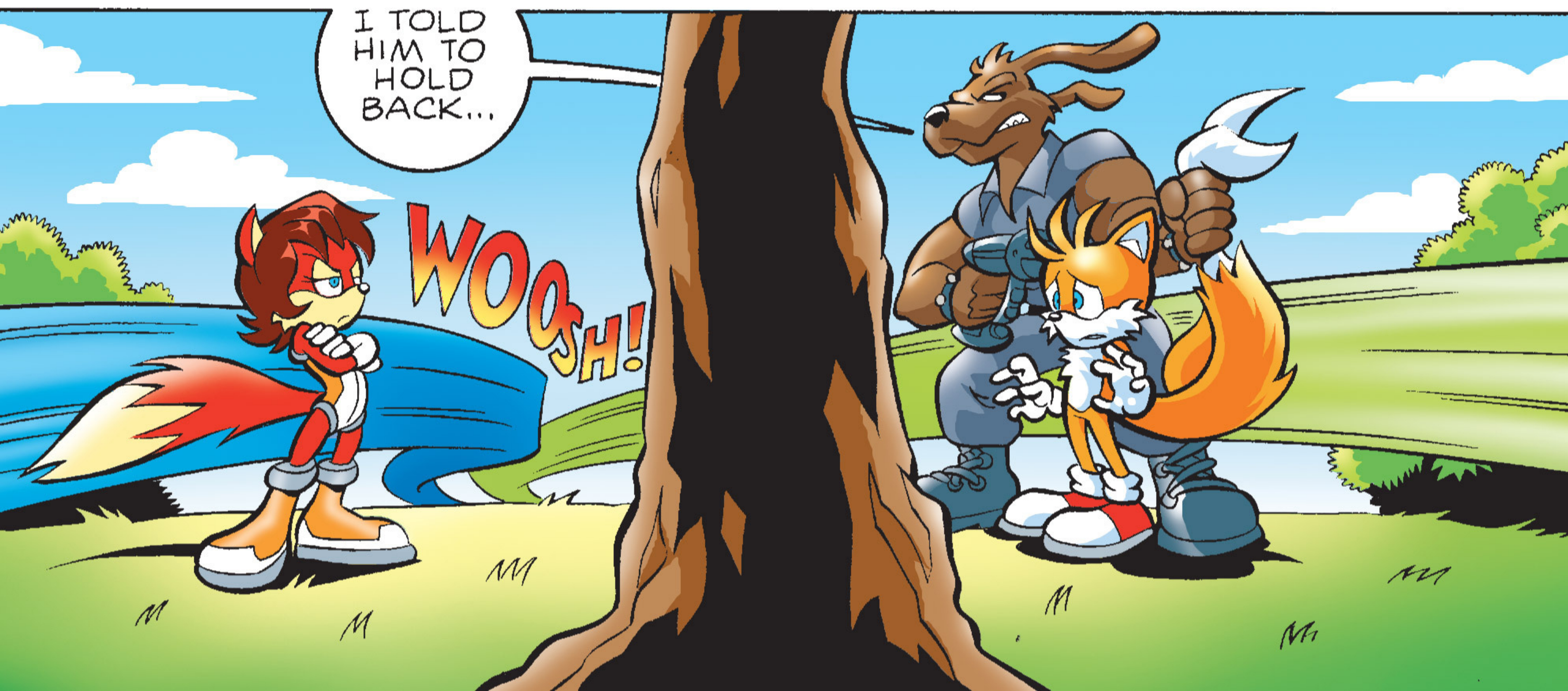
HURK!

...SONIC?!



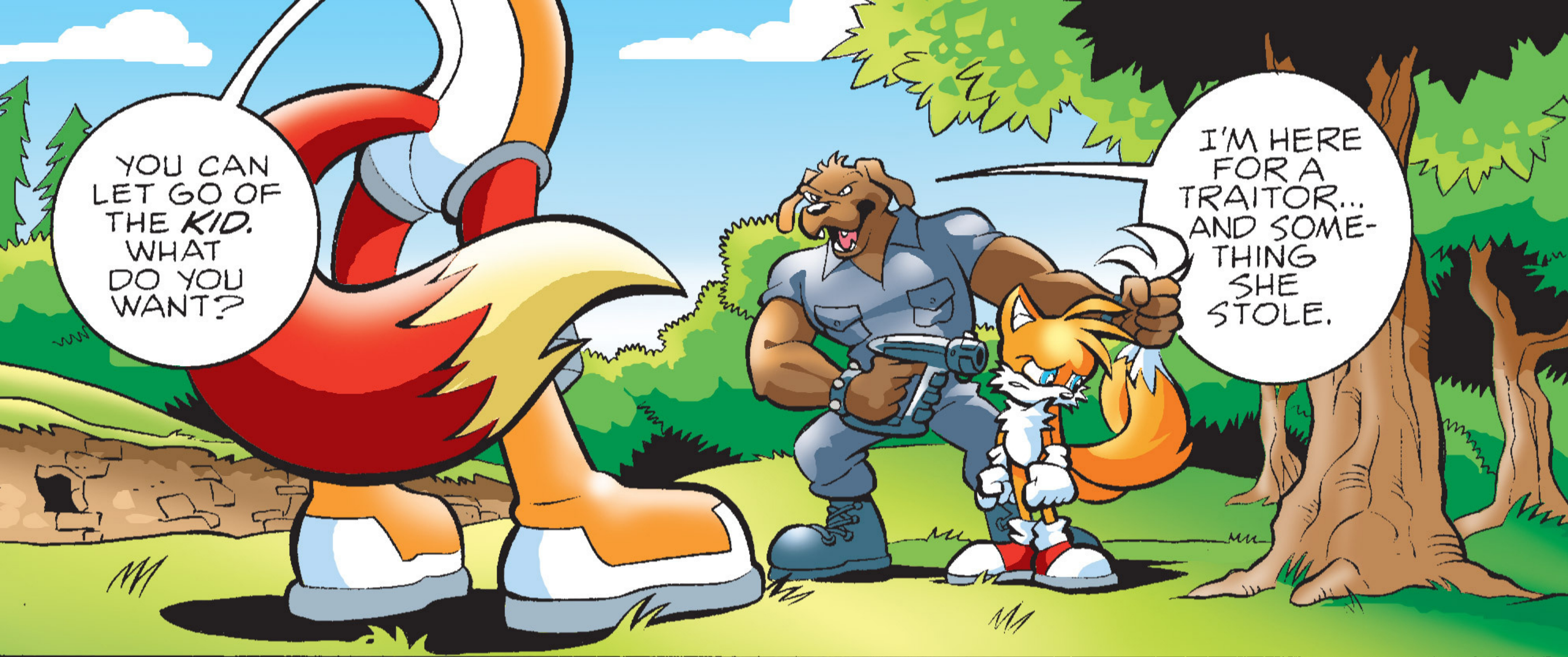
READY FOR ACT TWO, WIMP?

ANYTIME, PUNK.



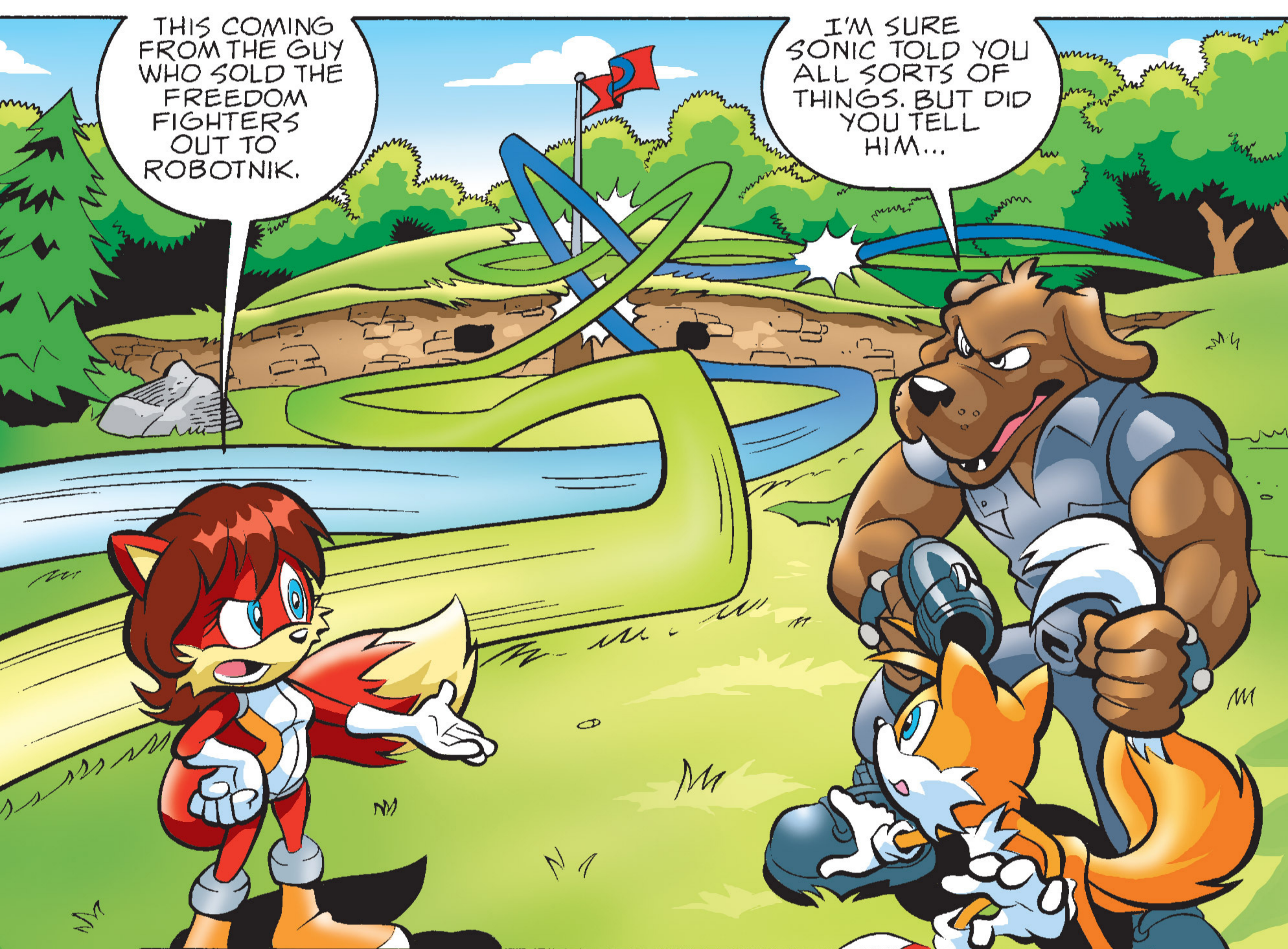
I TOLD HIM TO HOLD BACK...

WOOSH!



YOU CAN LET GO OF THE *KID*. WHAT DO YOU WANT?

I'M HERE FOR A TRAITOR... AND SOMETHING SHE STOLE.



THIS COMING FROM THE GUY WHO SOLD THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS OUT TO ROBOTNIK.

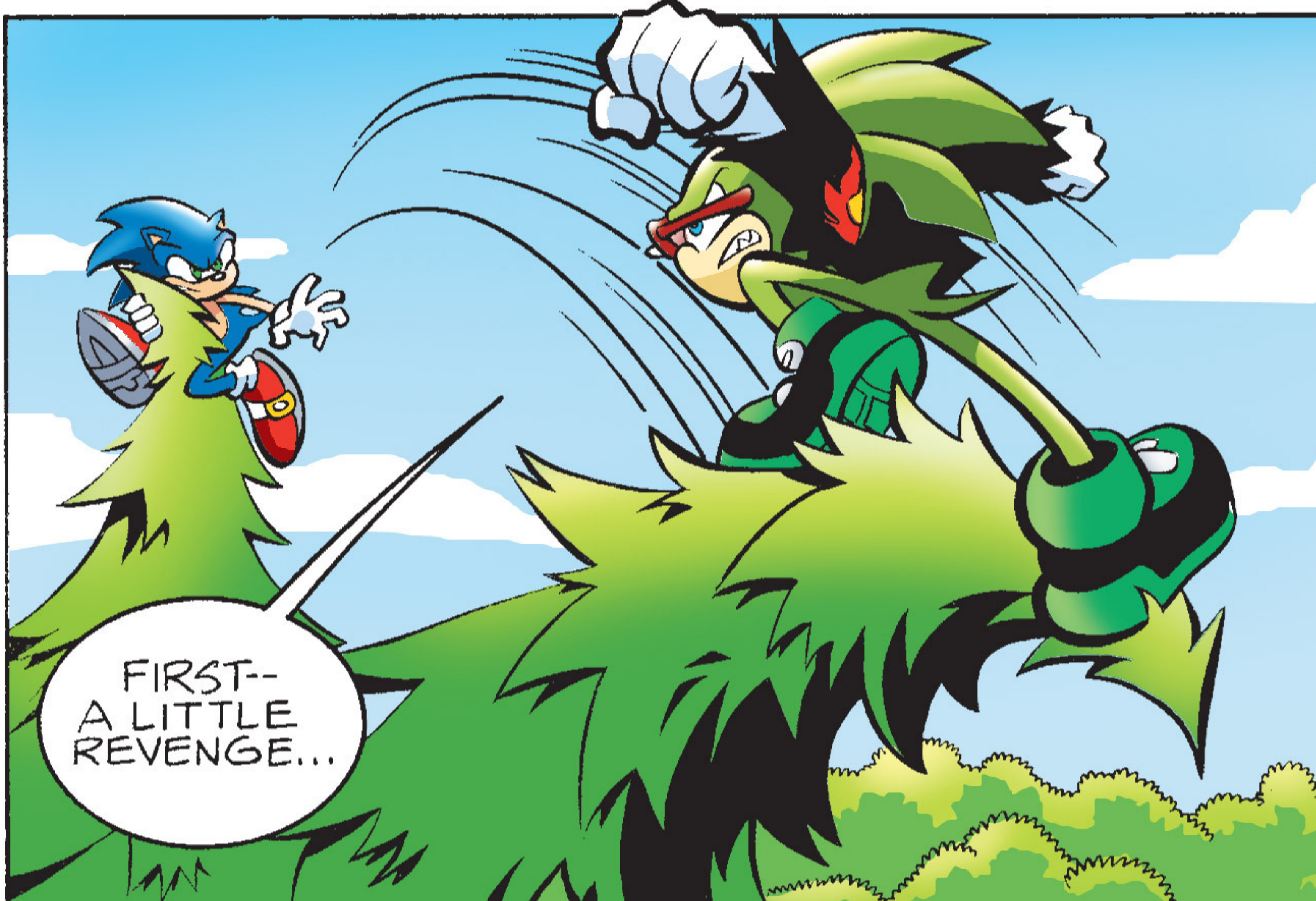
I'M SURE SONIC TOLD YOU ALL SORTS OF THINGS. BUT DID YOU TELL HIM...



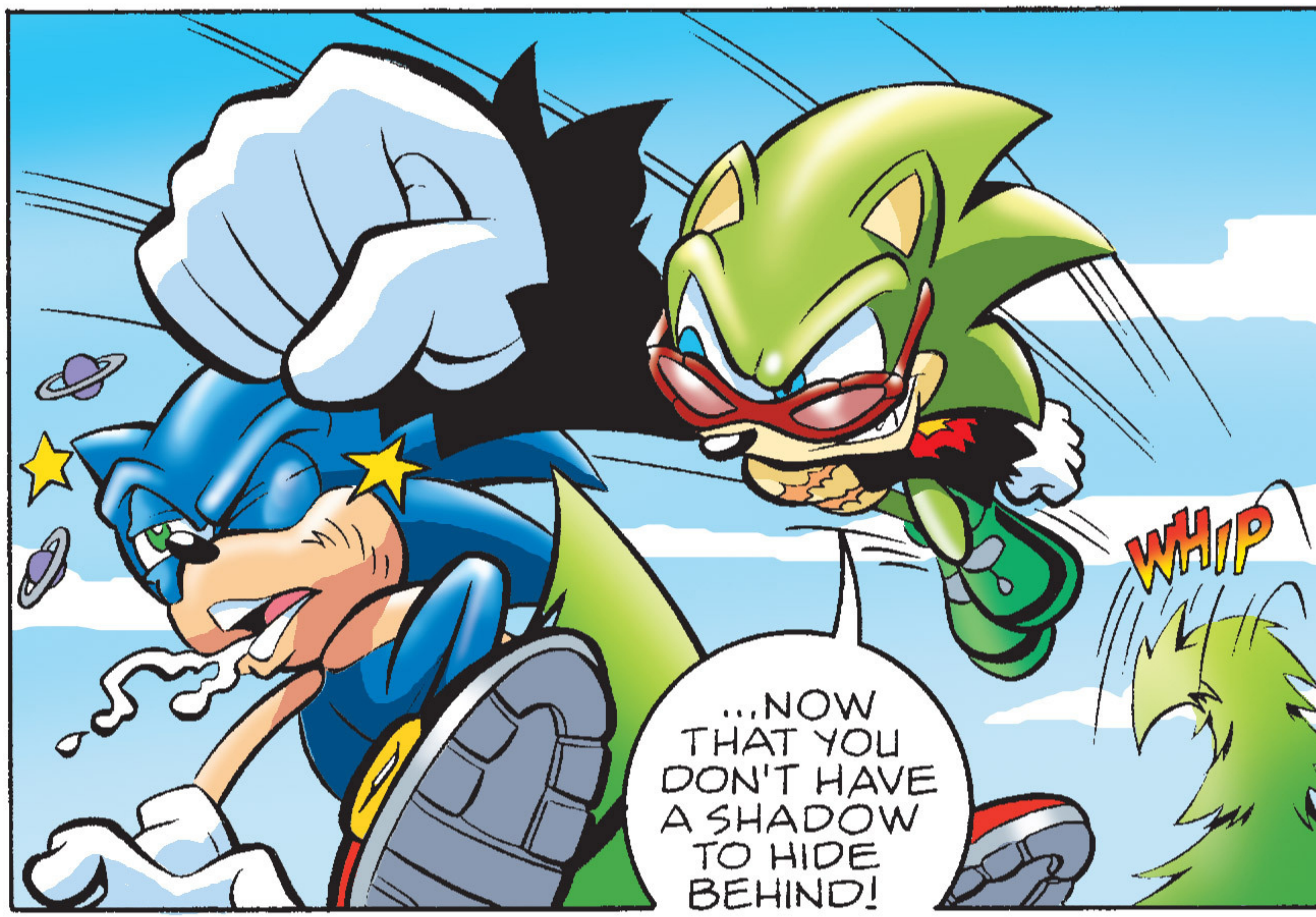
...WHY IT'S SO IRONIC FOR YOU TO CALL *ME* TRAITOR?



NOT THAT I'M NOT GLAD TO KICK YOUR BUTT, BUT WHAT'S THE OCCASION, SCOURGE?

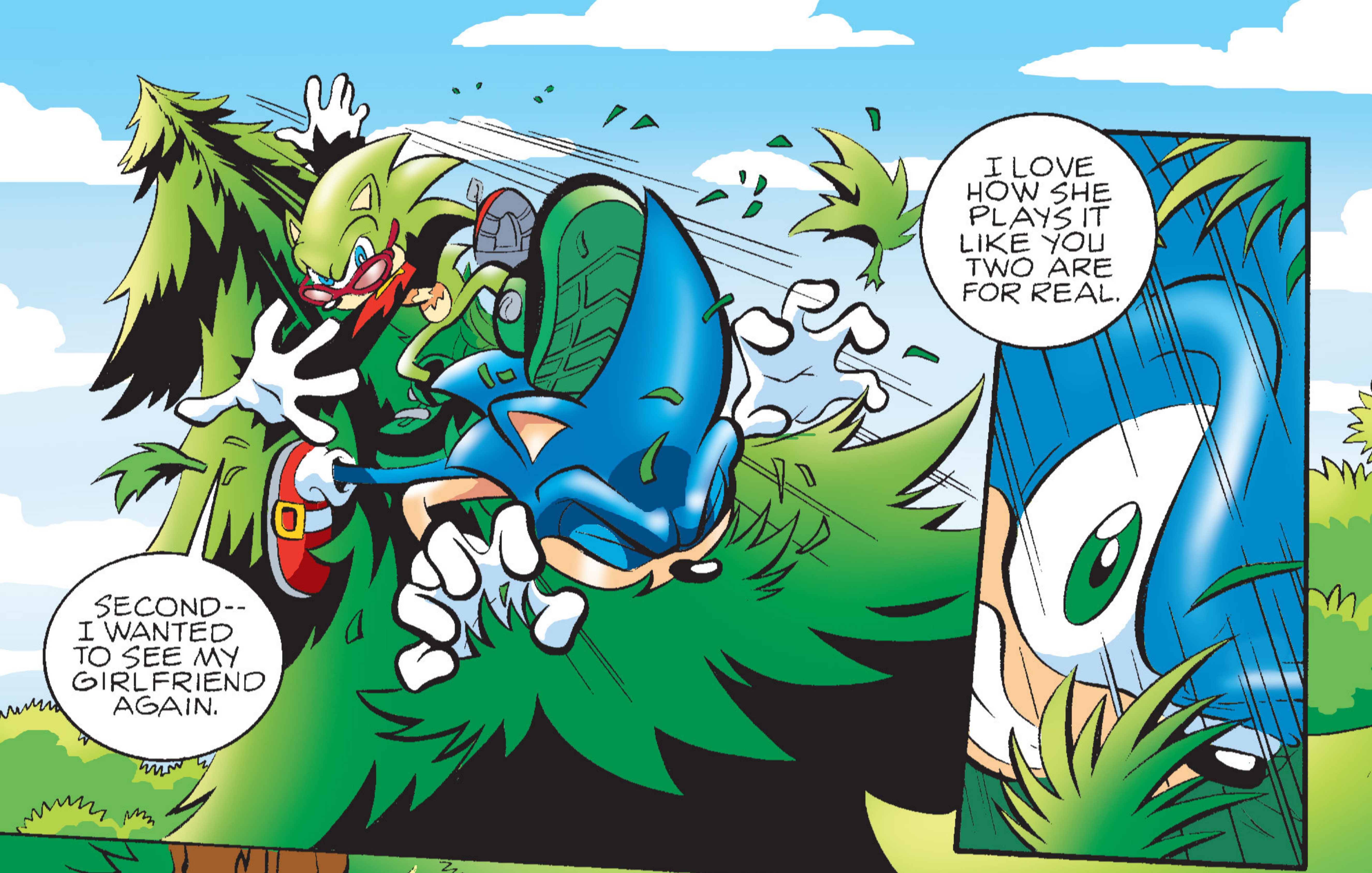


FIRST-- A LITTLE REVENGE...



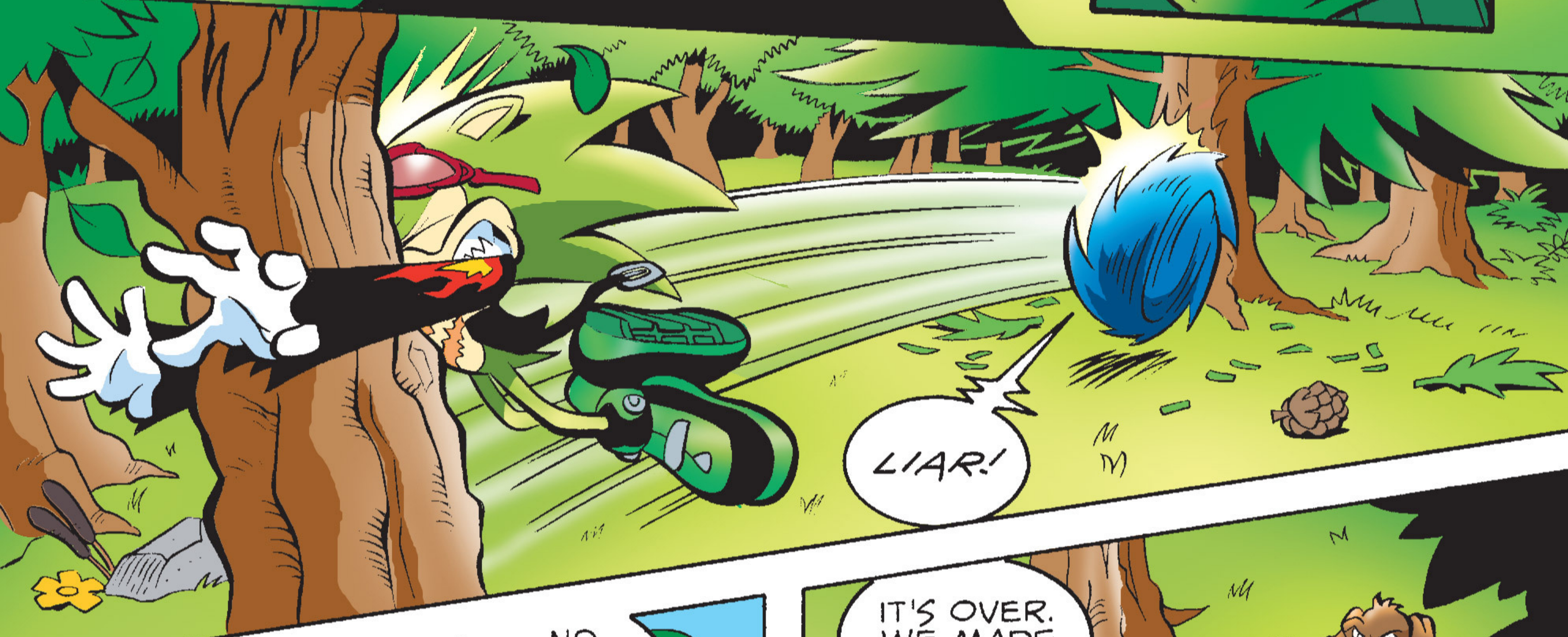
...NOW THAT YOU DON'T HAVE A SHADOW TO HIDE BEHIND!

WHIP



SECOND--
I WANTED
TO SEE MY
GIRLFRIEND
AGAIN.

I LOVE
HOW SHE
PLAYS IT
LIKE YOU
TWO ARE
FOR REAL.



LIAR!



YOU GOT
A LOUSY TRACK
RECORD WITH
THE LADIES,
BLUE.

NO
WORSE
THAN YOUR
FIGHT
RECORD,
GREEN.

SONIC!



IT'S OVER.
WE MADE
A DEAL.



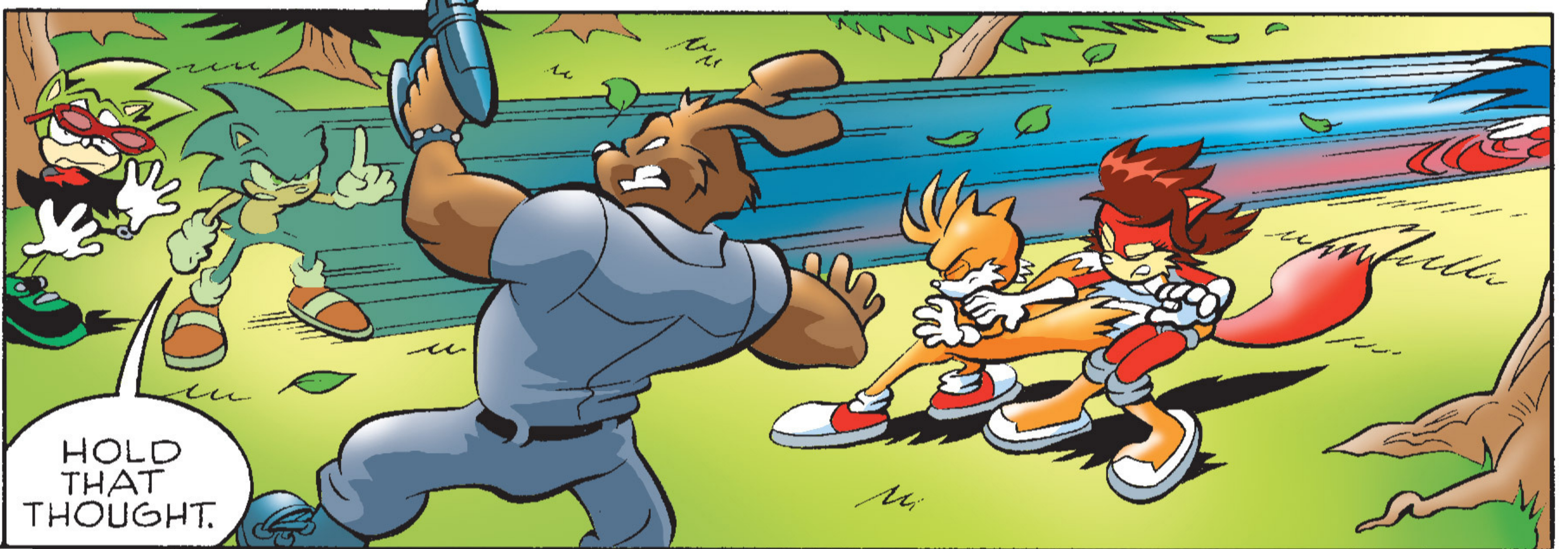
DEAL?

I TOLD SLEUTH THE CHAOTIX WERE QUESTIONING ROUGE. HE SAYS IF WE TAKE BACK THE WARP RING FROM HER, HE'LL LEAVE.

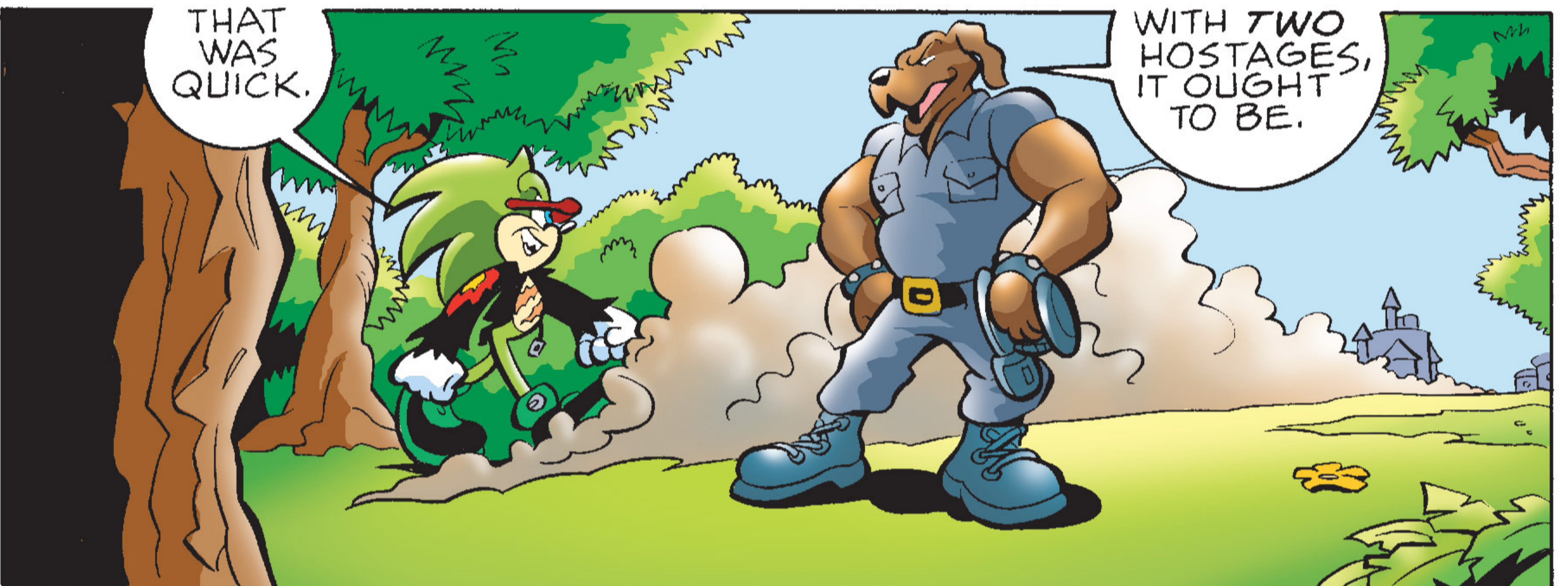


I GAVE MY WORD FOR HERS.

DON'T MAKE HER A LIAR, SONIC.

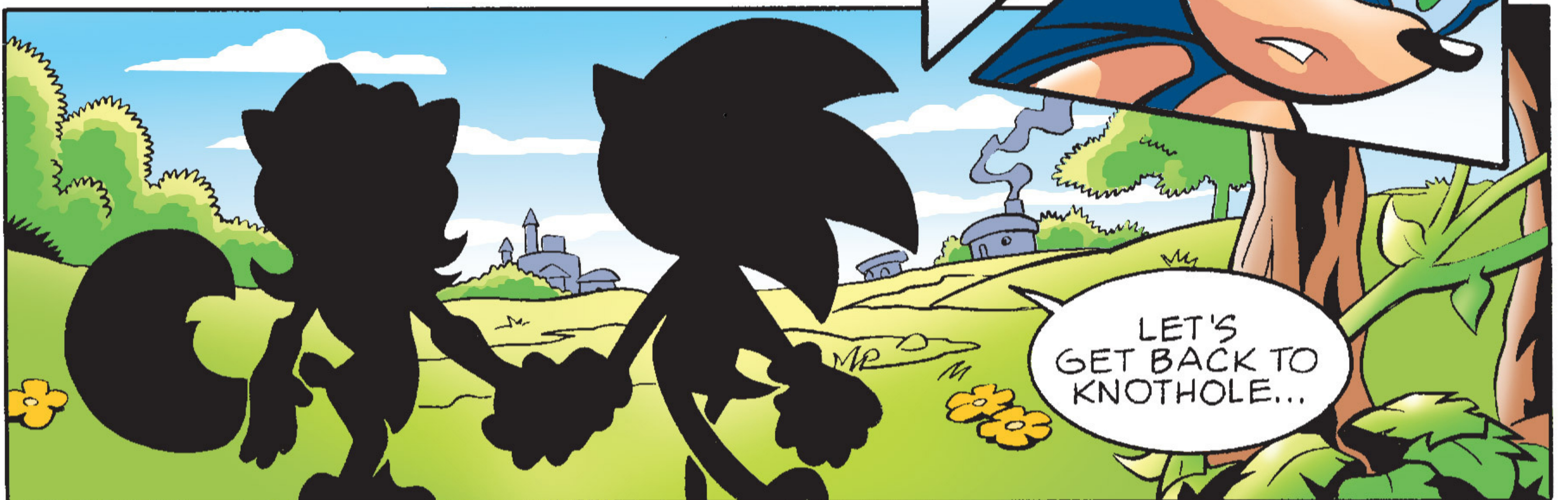
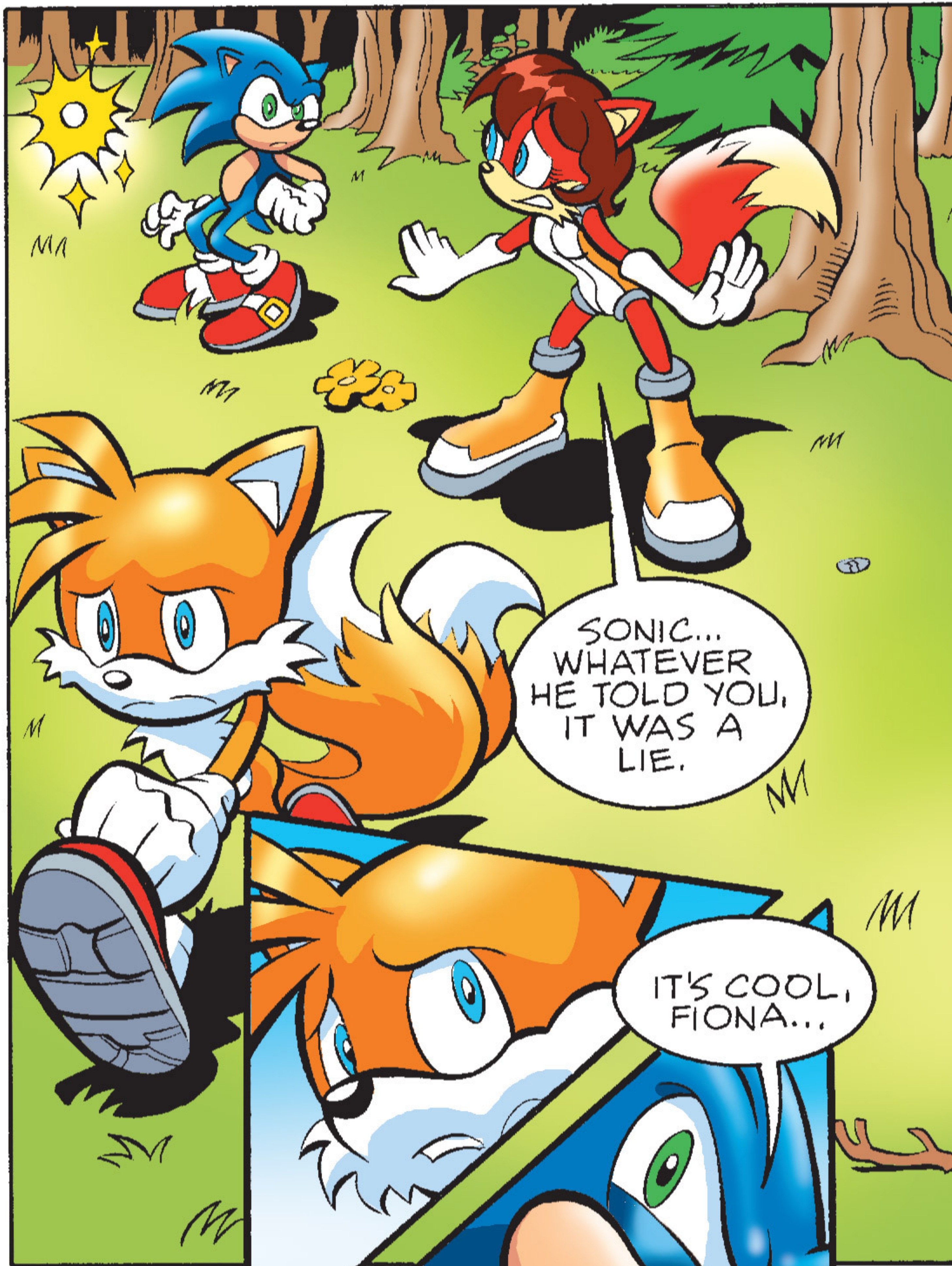
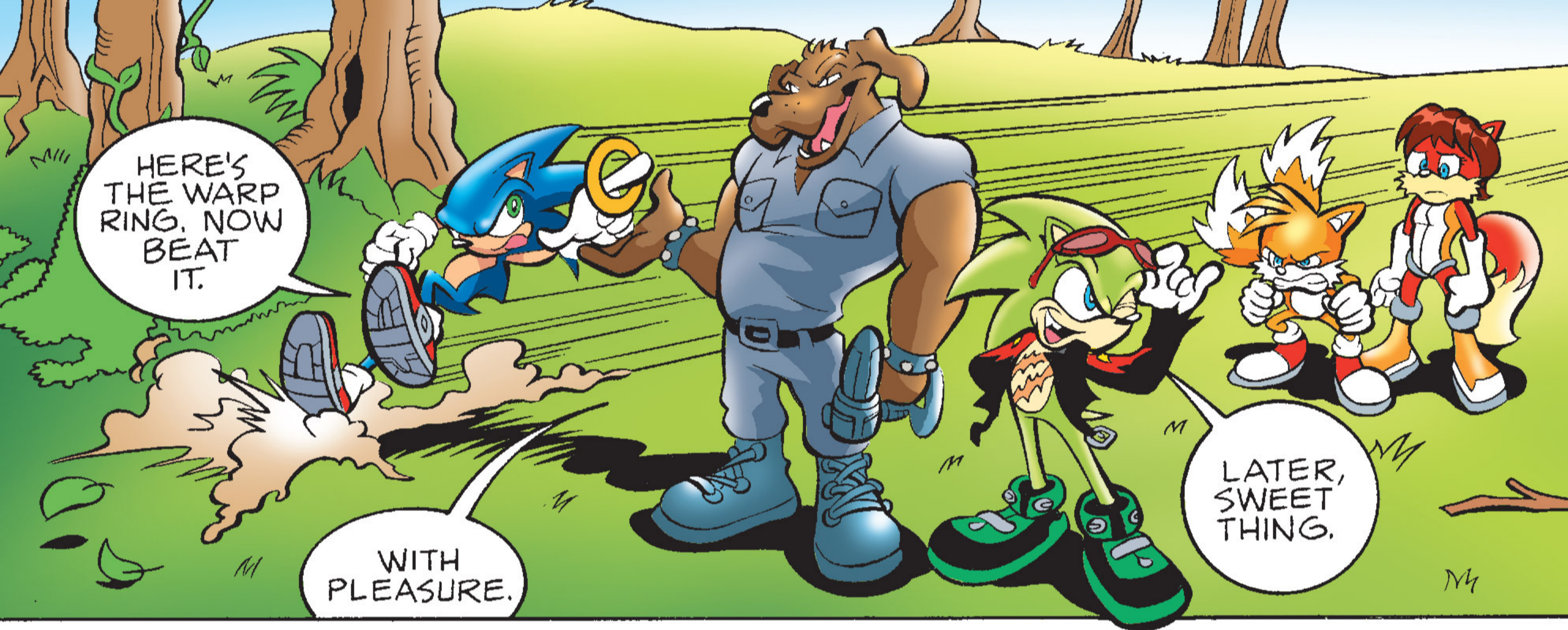


HOLD THAT THOUGHT.



THAT WAS QUICK.

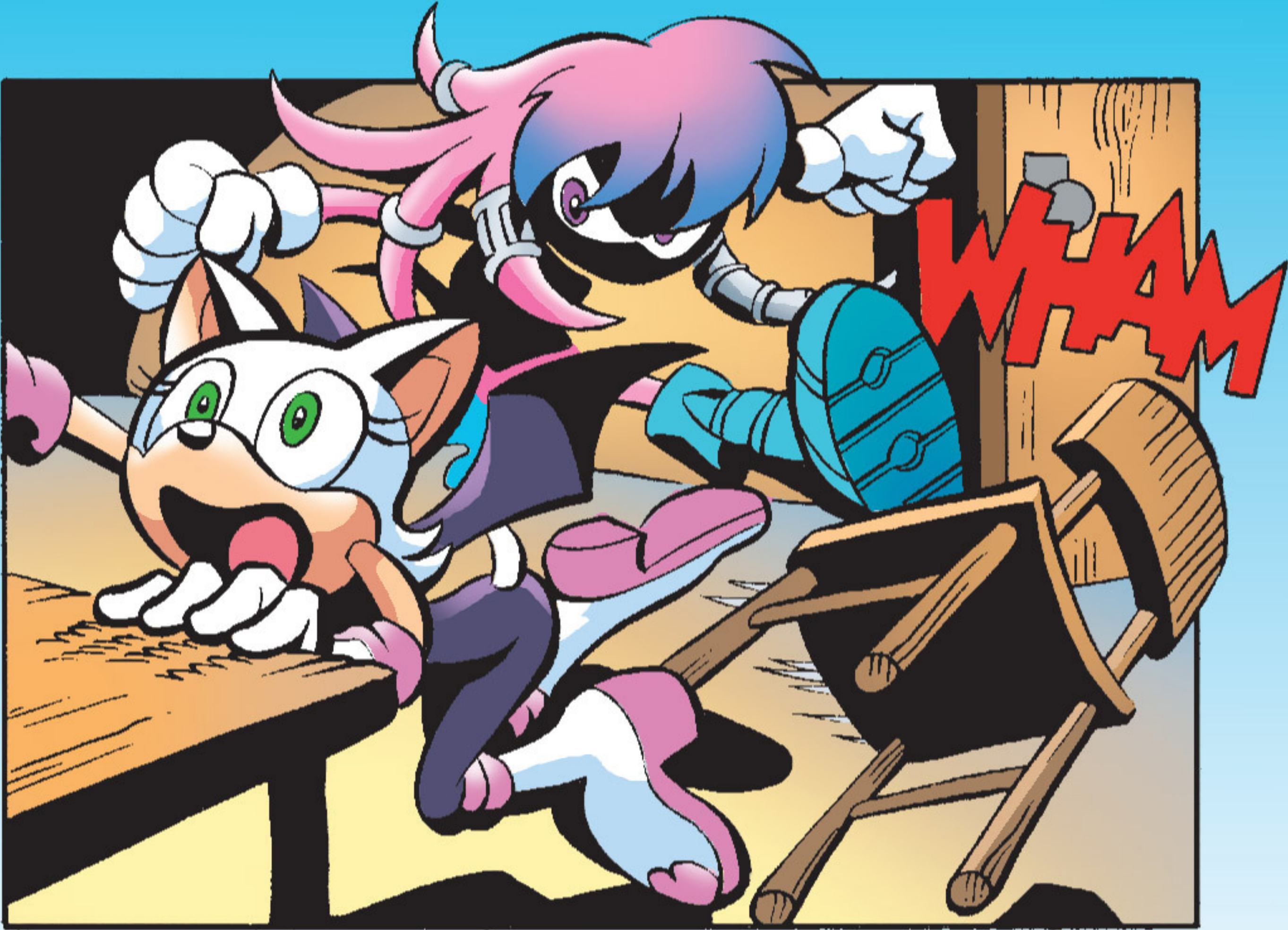
WITH TWO HOSTAGES, IT OUGHT TO BE.



...I WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE CHAOTIX FOUND OUT.

THAT WAS A WASTE OF TIME.

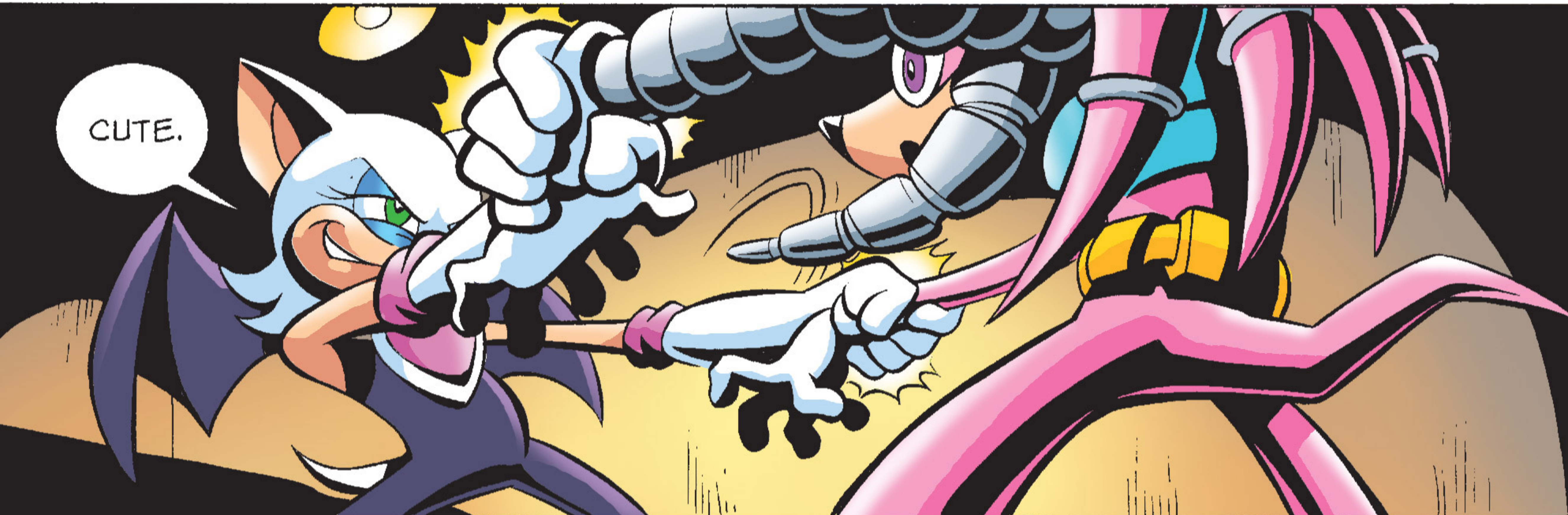
CHILL, KNUX. AT LEAST WE GOT SOME INFO ON FINITEVLUS.



LISTEN UP, ROUGE. I SEE YOU EYEING KNUCKLES.

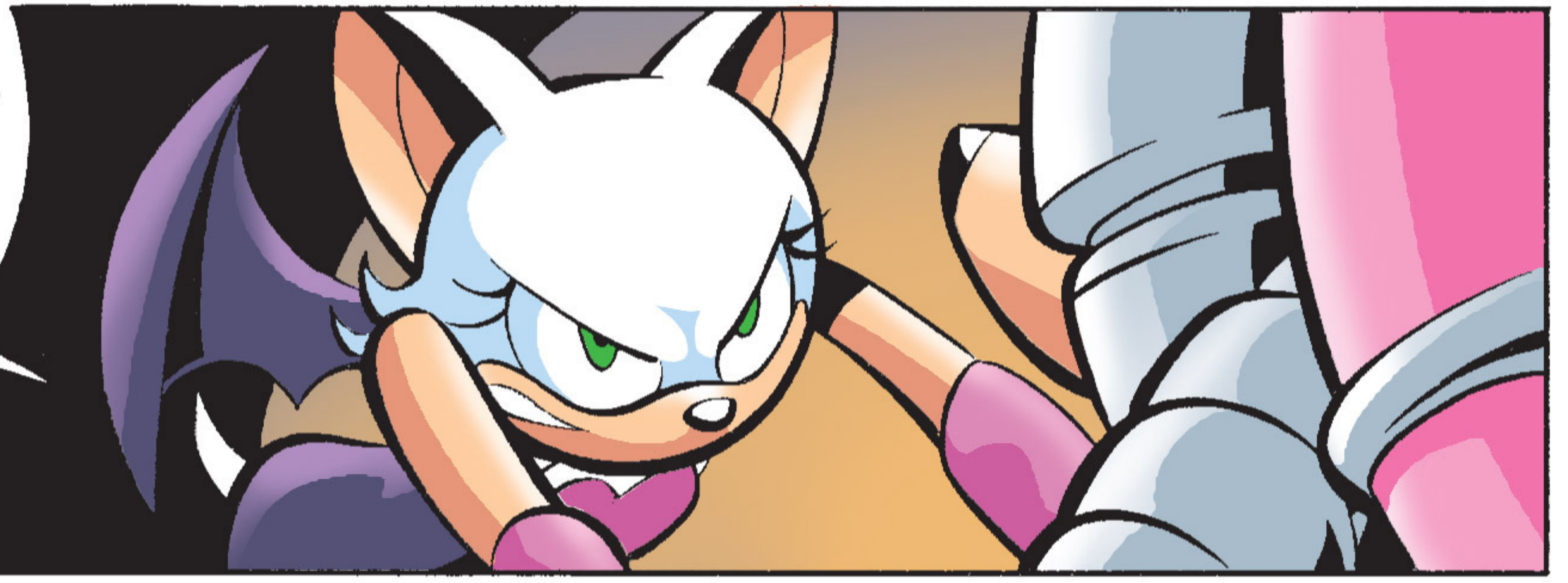


HE'S THE ONLY PERSON TO MAKE ME FEEL LIKE SOMETHING OTHER THAN A SOLDIER. HE IS MY SOULMATE AND MY EQUAL. BUT IF YOU TRY TO TAKE AWAY SOMEONE THAT *PRECIOUS* TO ME, I'LL SHOW YOU HOW GOOD A SOLDIER I CAN BE!

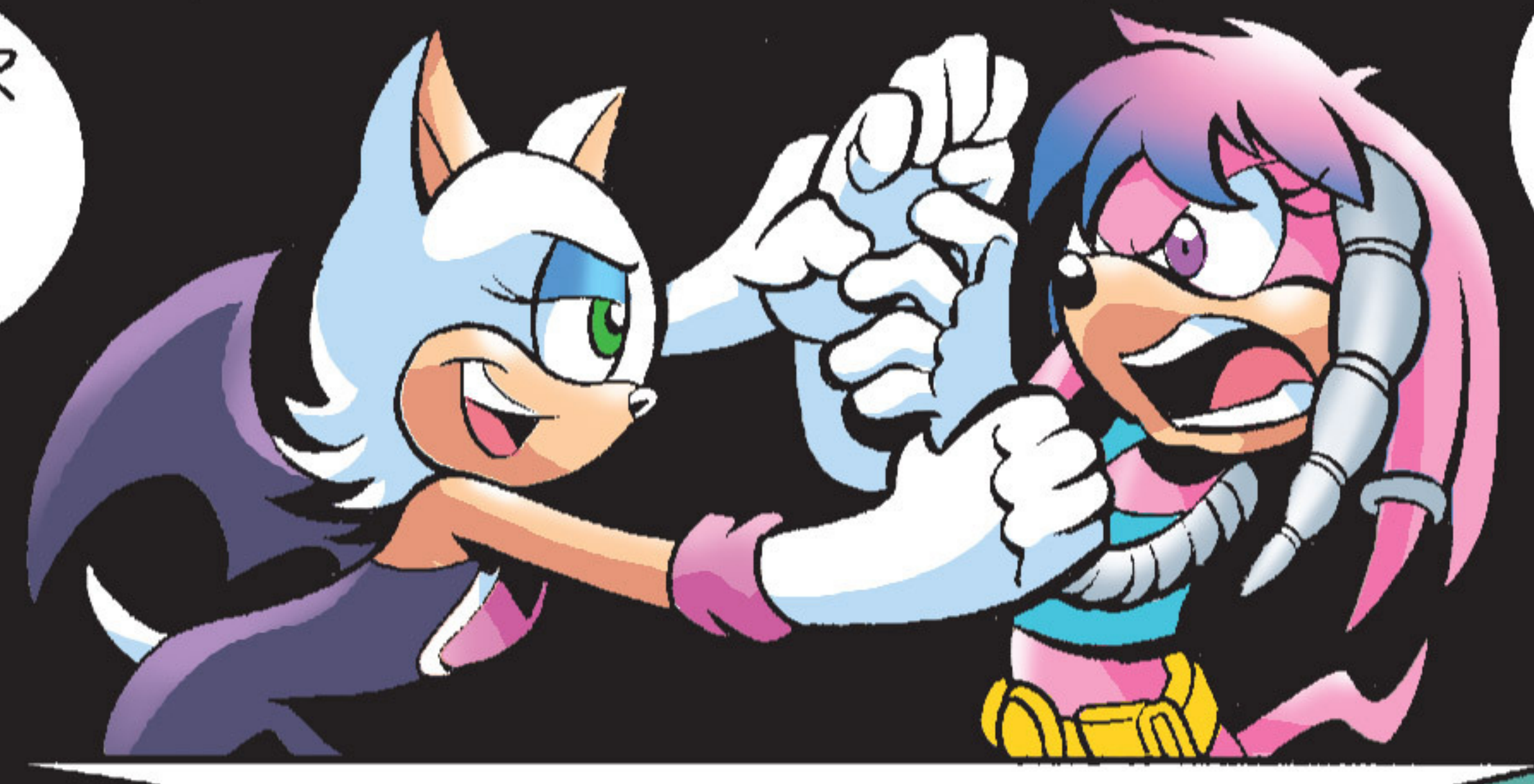


CUTE.

LISTEN UP, SWEETIE. I SPECIALIZE IN STEALING *PRECIOUS* THINGS. SOMETIMES FOR OTHERS, BUT MOSTLY FOR ME. AND I'VE NEVER GONE EMPTY-HANDED.

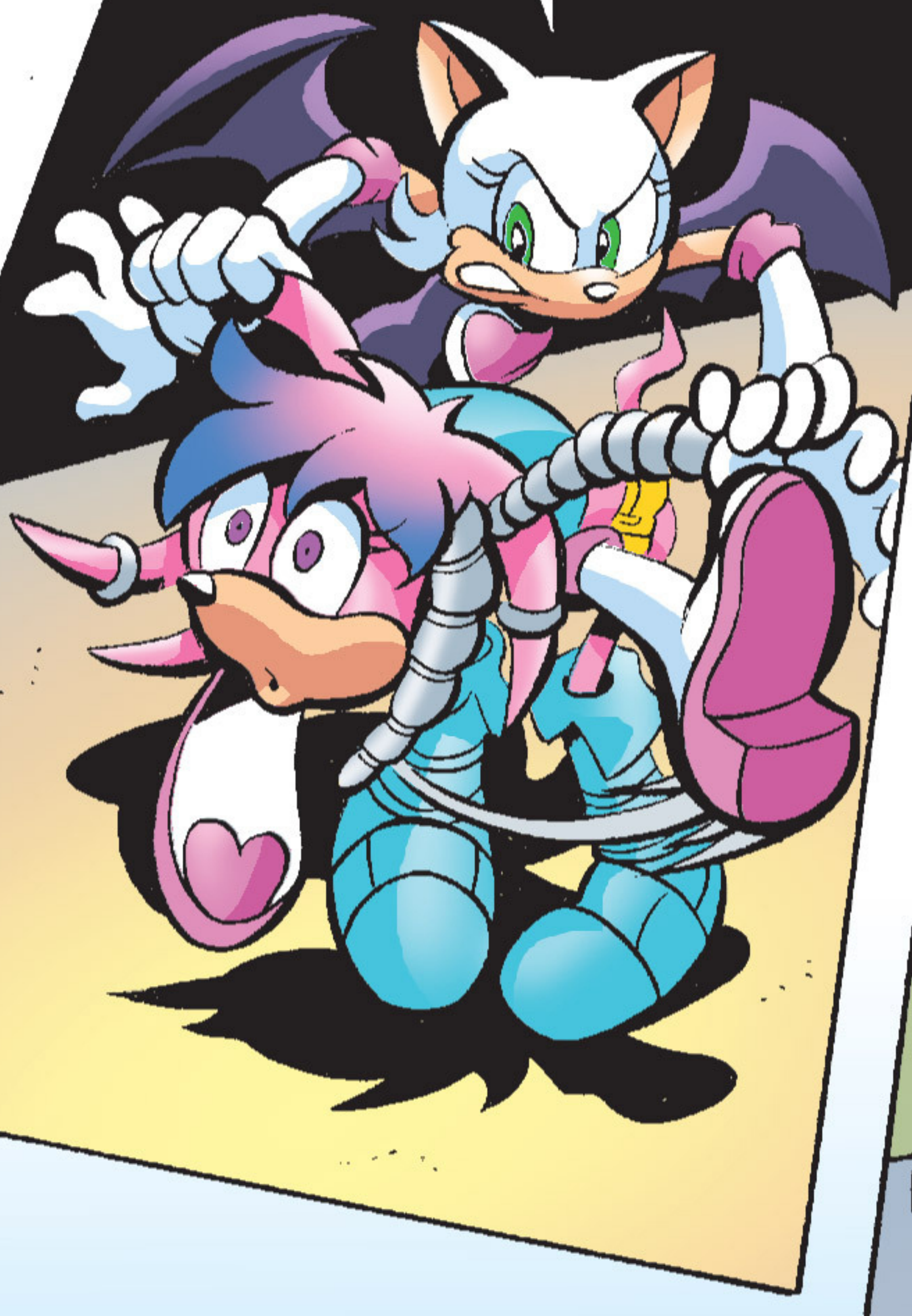


YOU'RE WELCOME TO TRY TO STOP ME. AFTER ALL, IF HE'S SO TRUE TO YOU, YOU HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR. RIGHT?



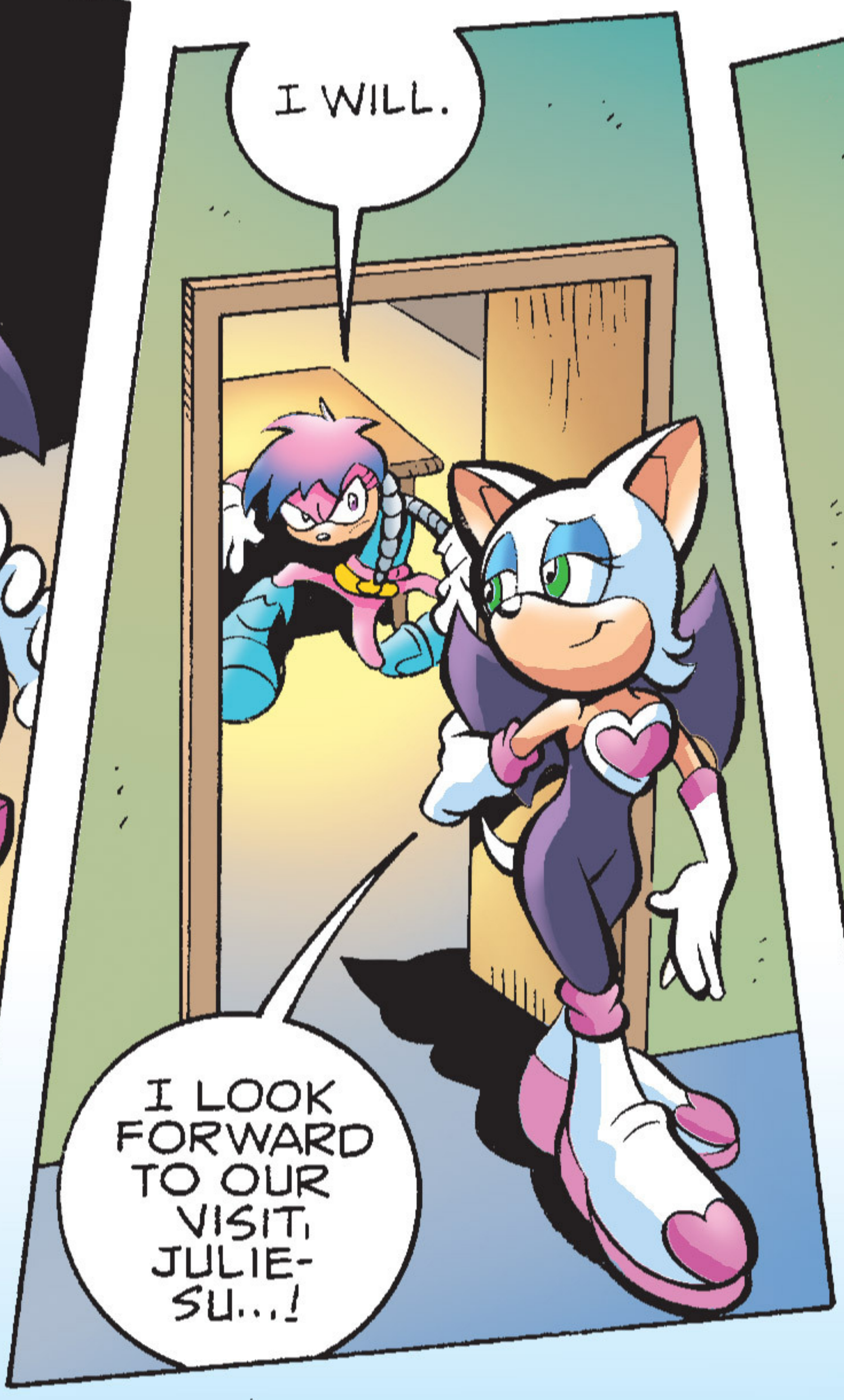
LET ME GO, YOU B--

BAT. REMEMBER IT.

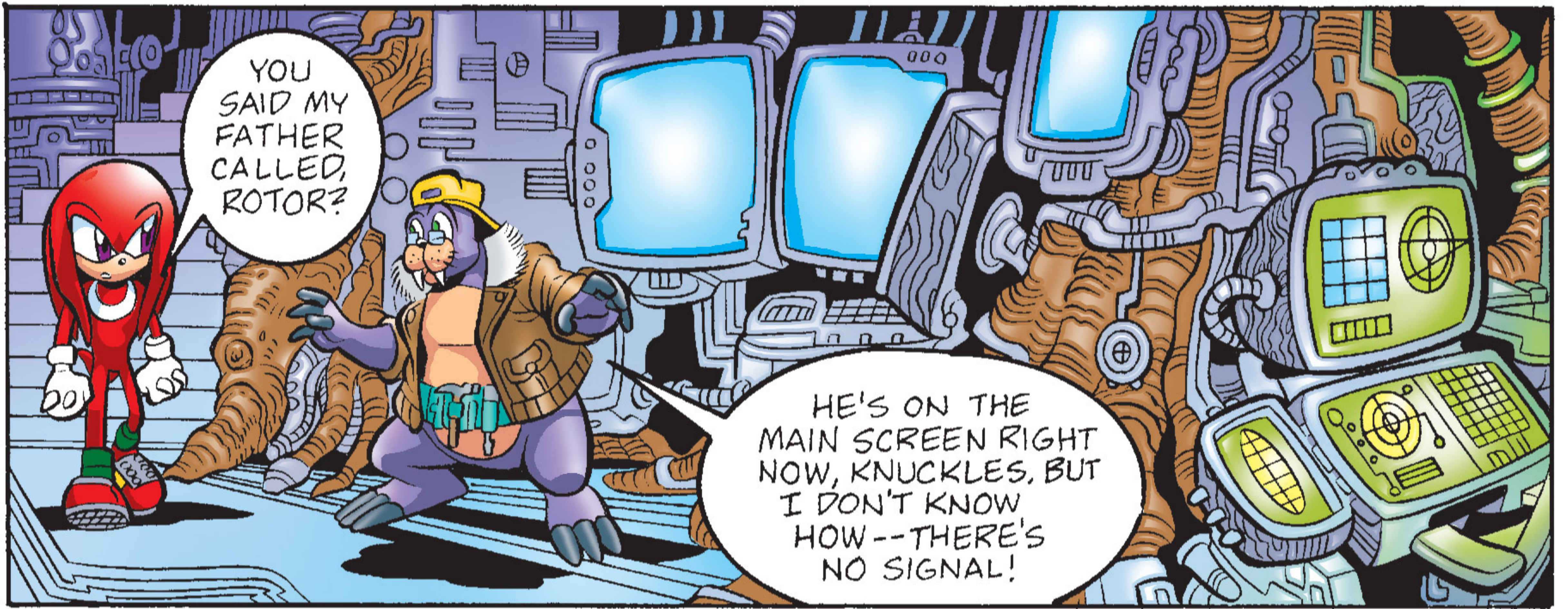


I WILL.

I LOOK FORWARD TO OUR VISIT, JULIE-SU...!

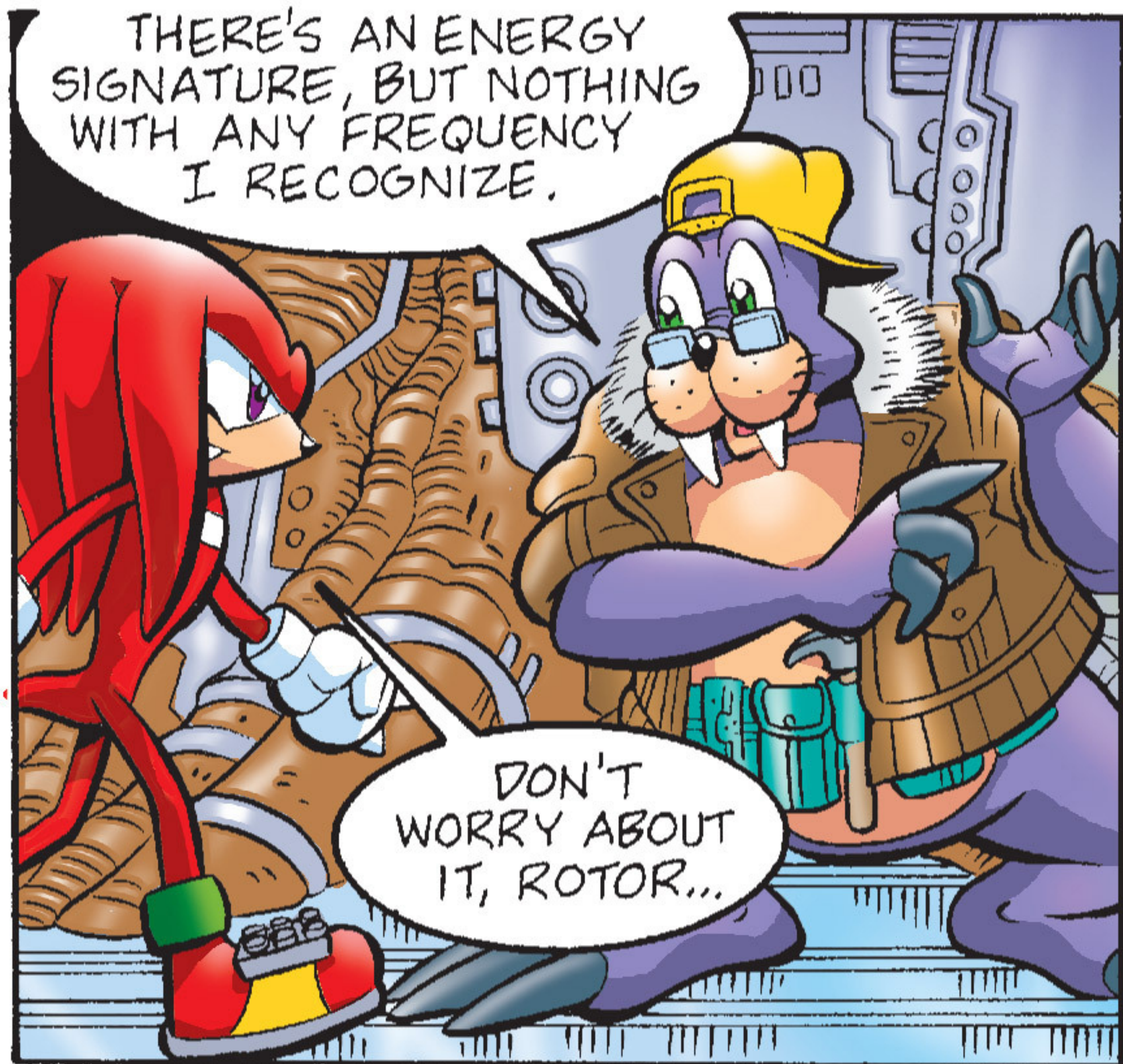


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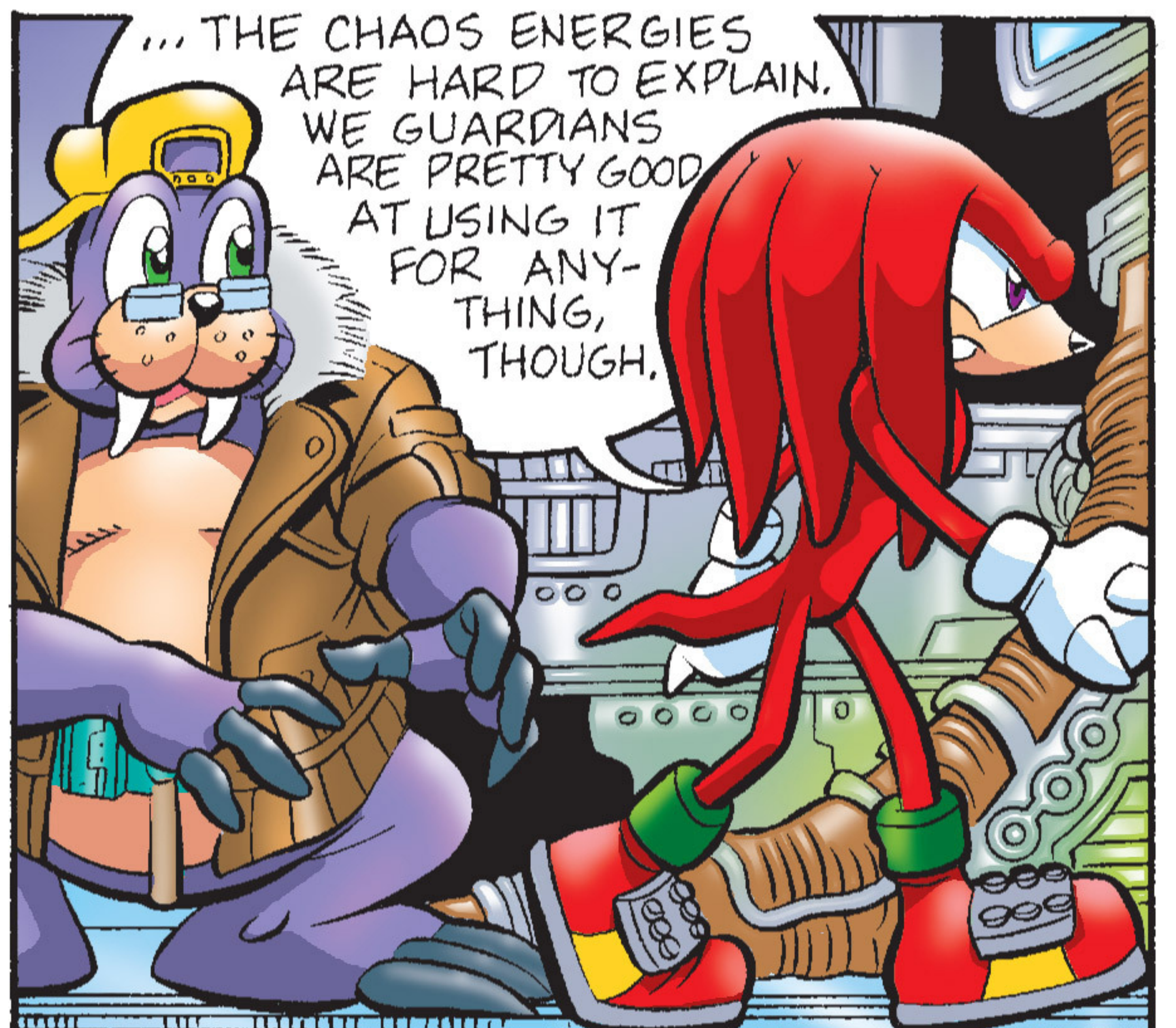
YOU SAID MY FATHER CALLED, ROTOR?

HE'S ON THE MAIN SCREEN RIGHT NOW, KNUCKLES, BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW--THERE'S NO SIGNAL!

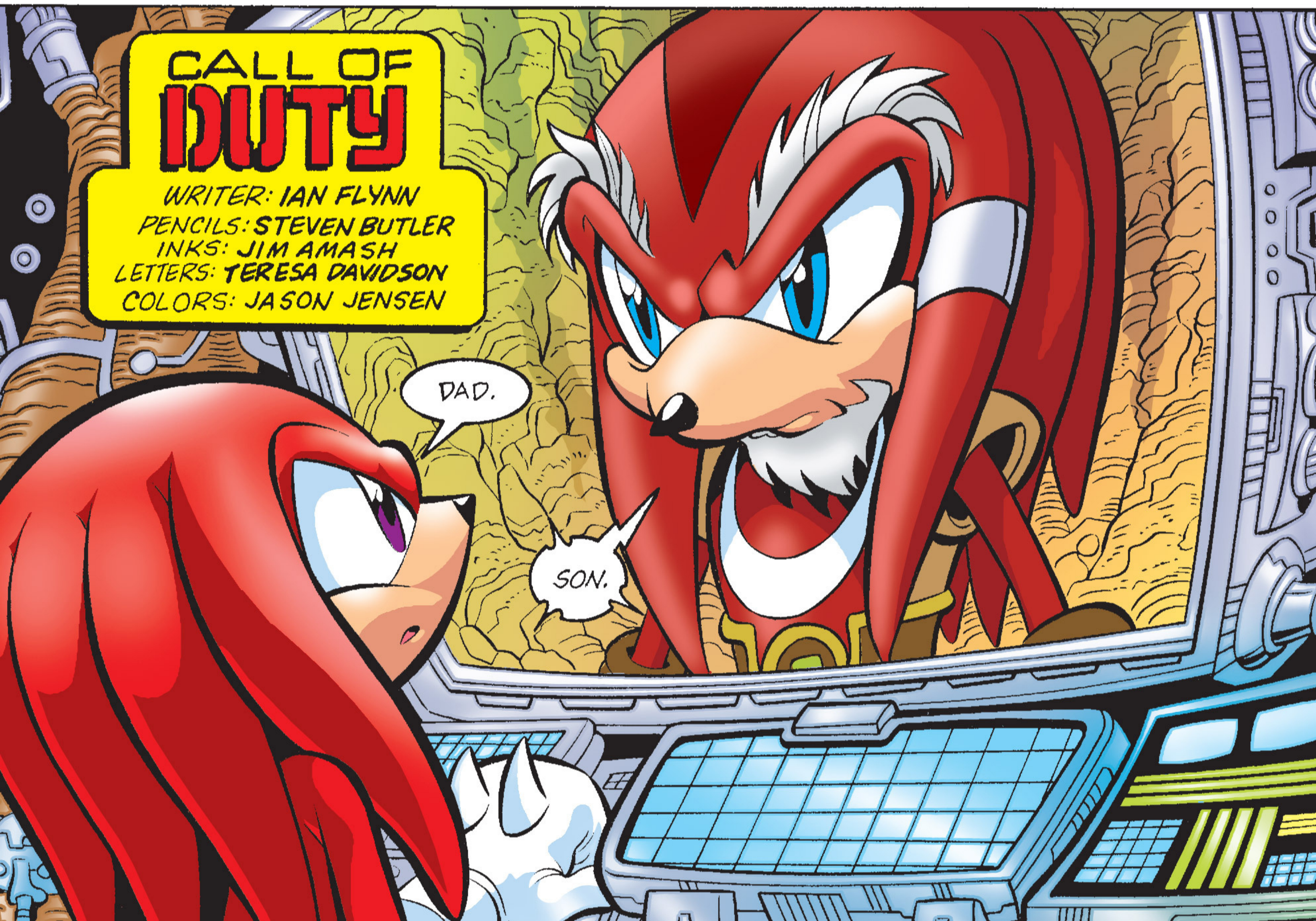


THERE'S AN ENERGY SIGNATURE, BUT NOTHING WITH ANY FREQUENCY I RECOGNIZE.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, ROTOR...



... THE CHAOS ENERGIES ARE HARD TO EXPLAIN. WE GUARDIANS ARE PRETTY GOOD AT USING IT FOR ANYTHING, THOUGH.

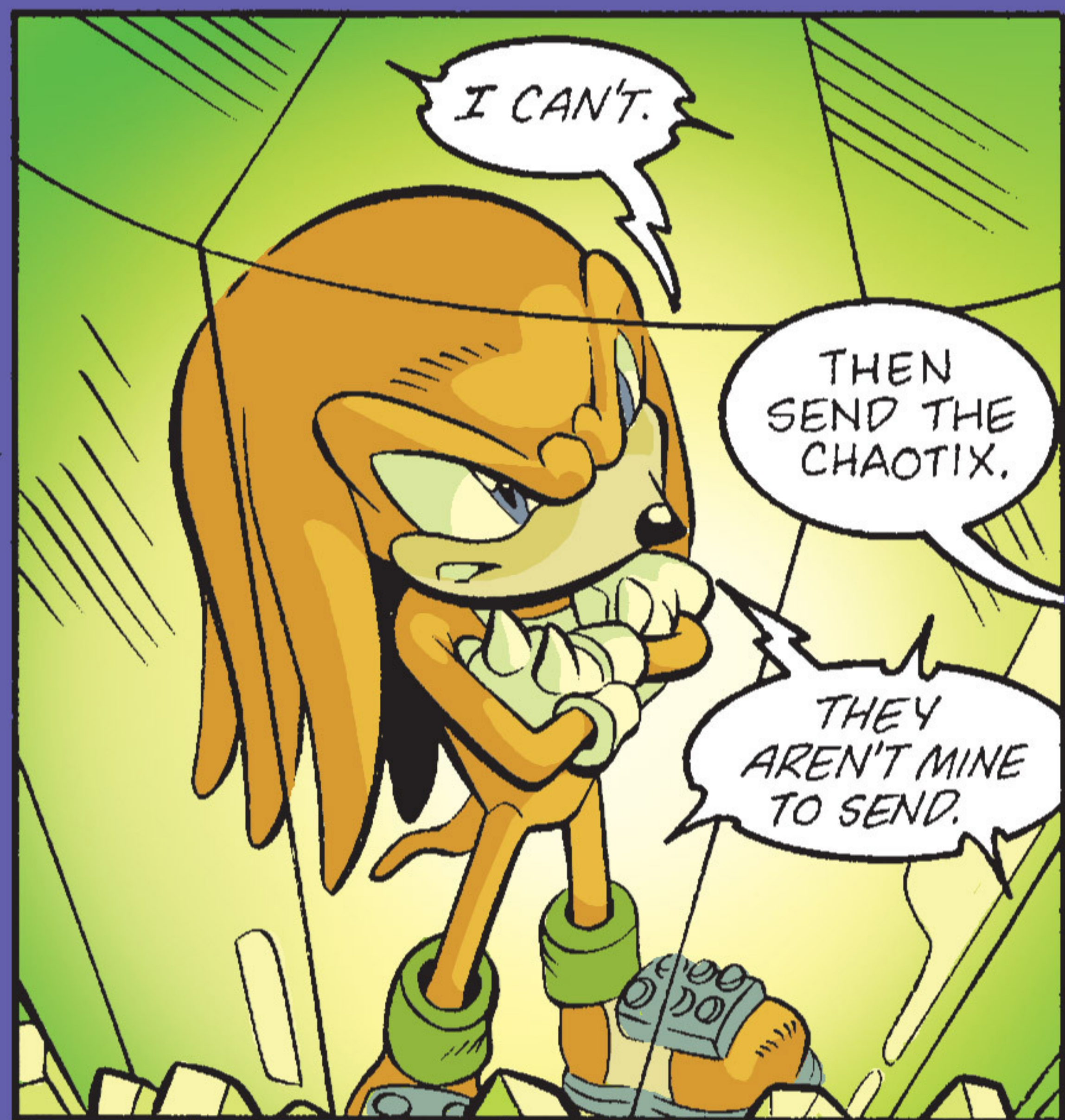
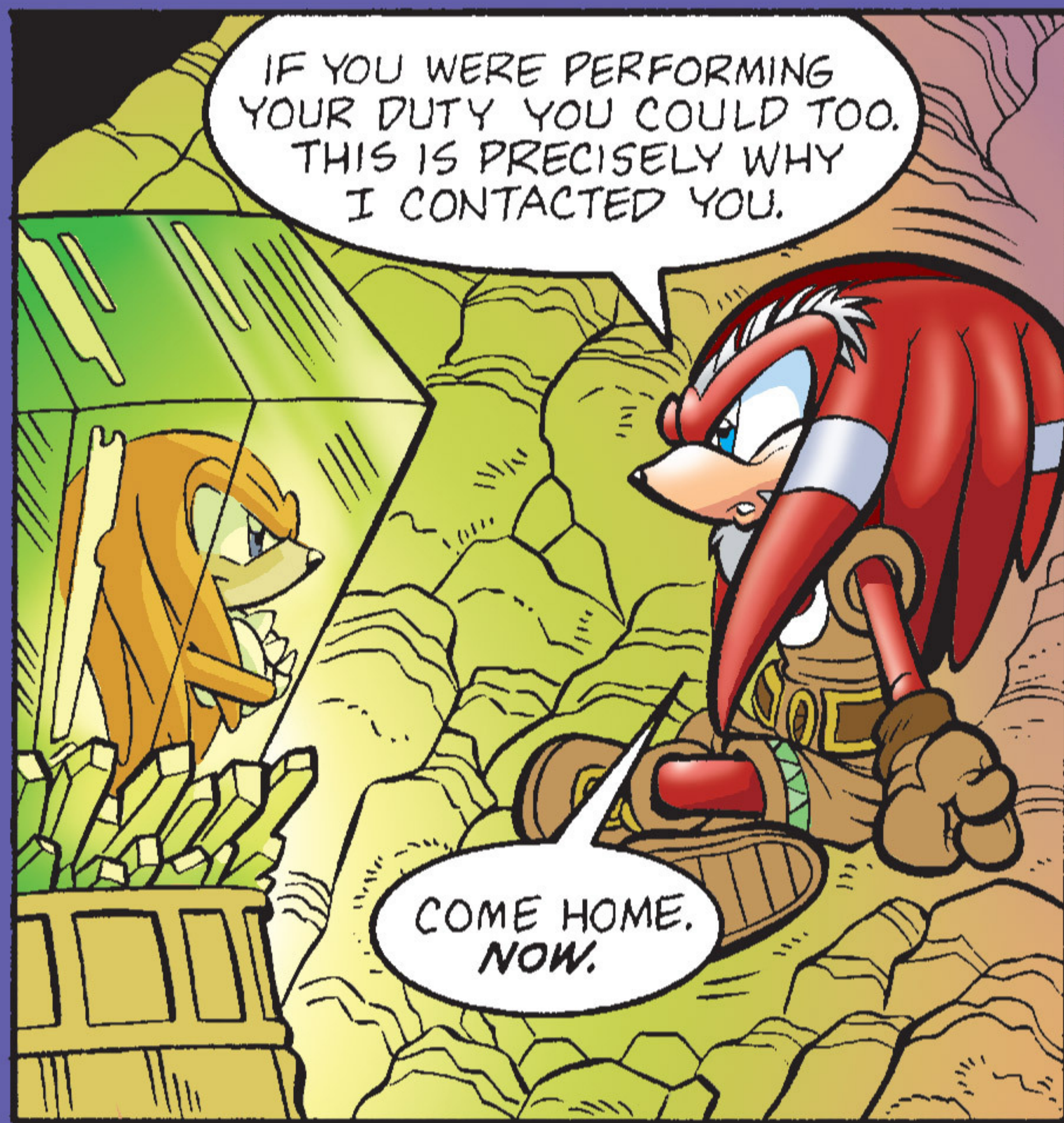
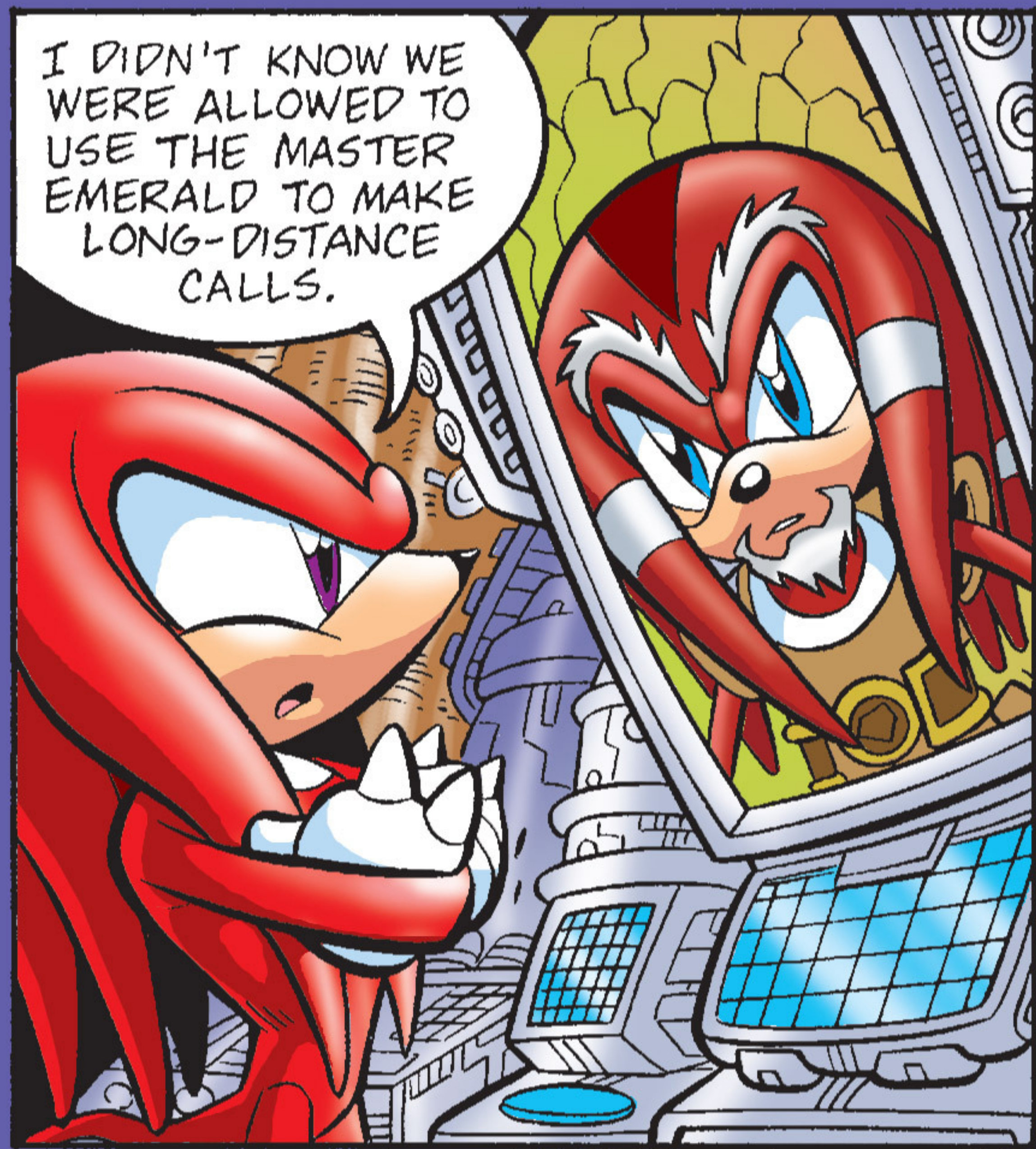


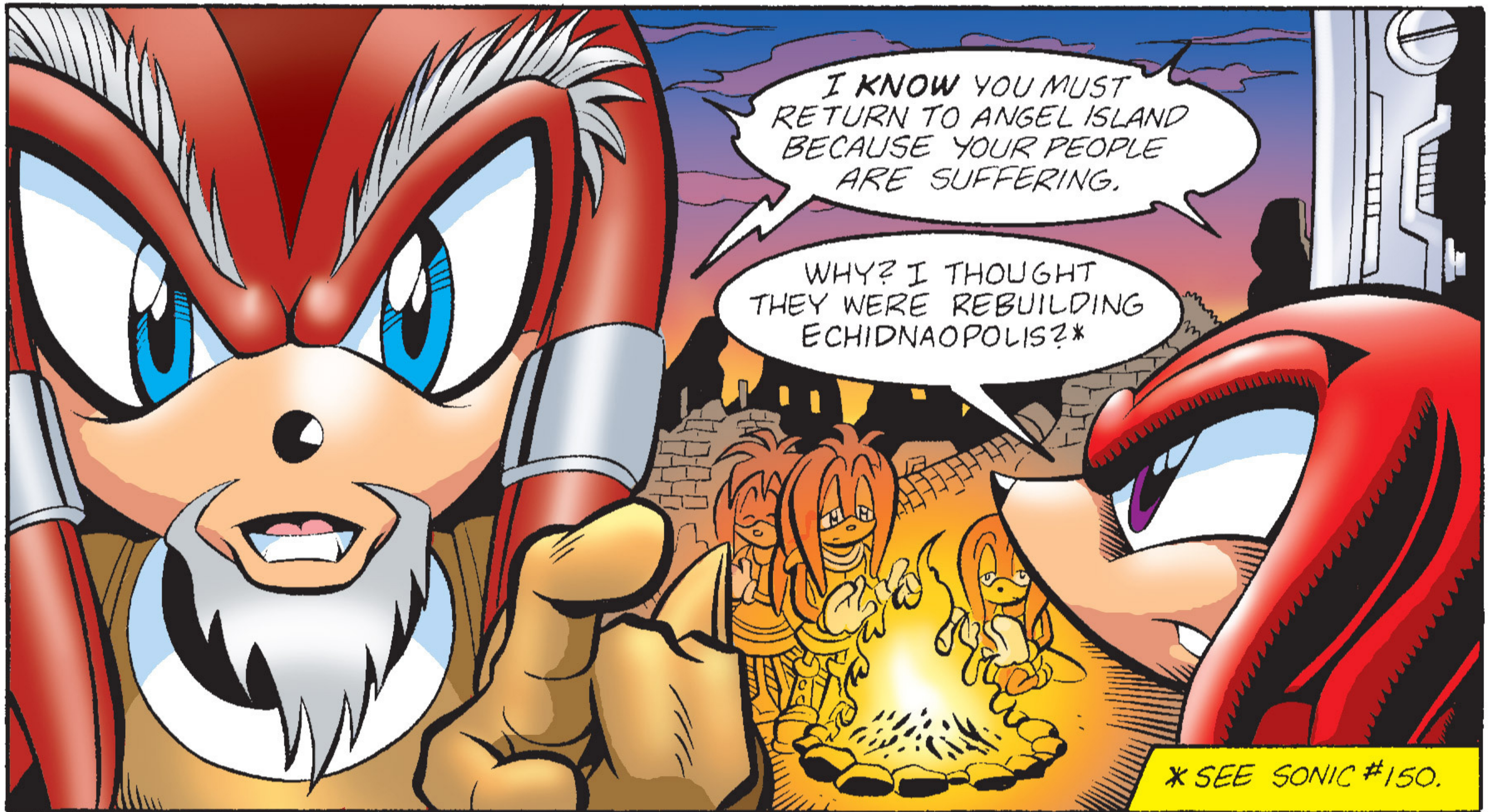
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DAD.

SON.





I KNOW YOU MUST RETURN TO ANGEL ISLAND BECAUSE YOUR PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING.

WHY? I THOUGHT THEY WERE REBUILDING ECHIDNAOPOLIS?*

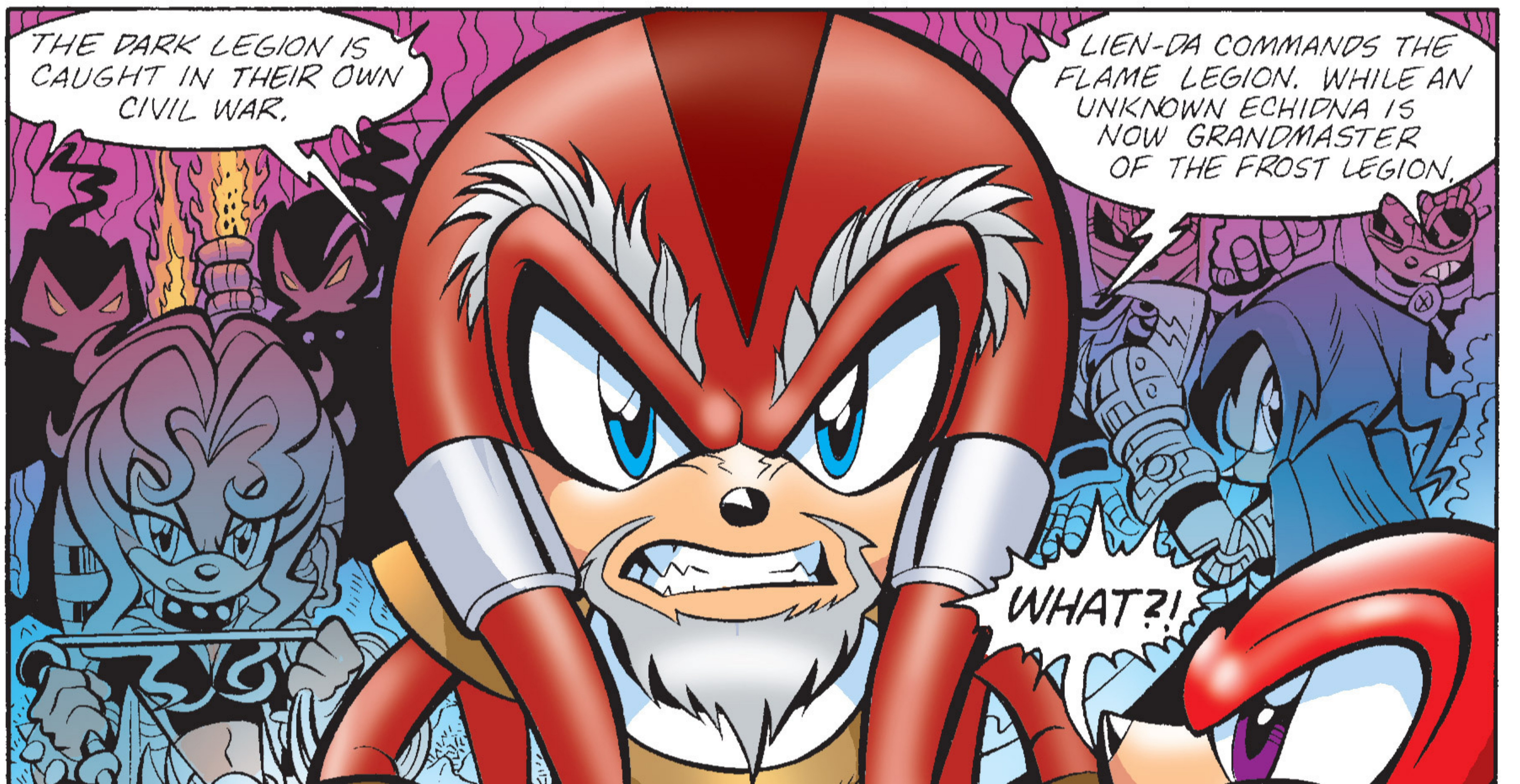
* SEE SONIC #150.



HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN GENERAL KAGE AND HIS ARMY? YOU ALL DEALT THEM A SMALL BLOW LAST TIME YOU BOTHERED TO RETURN ** BUT THEY'RE STILL A CONSTANT THREAT.

WHAT ABOUT THE DARK LEGION? I THOUGHT THEY WERE HELPING TO FIGHT THEM!

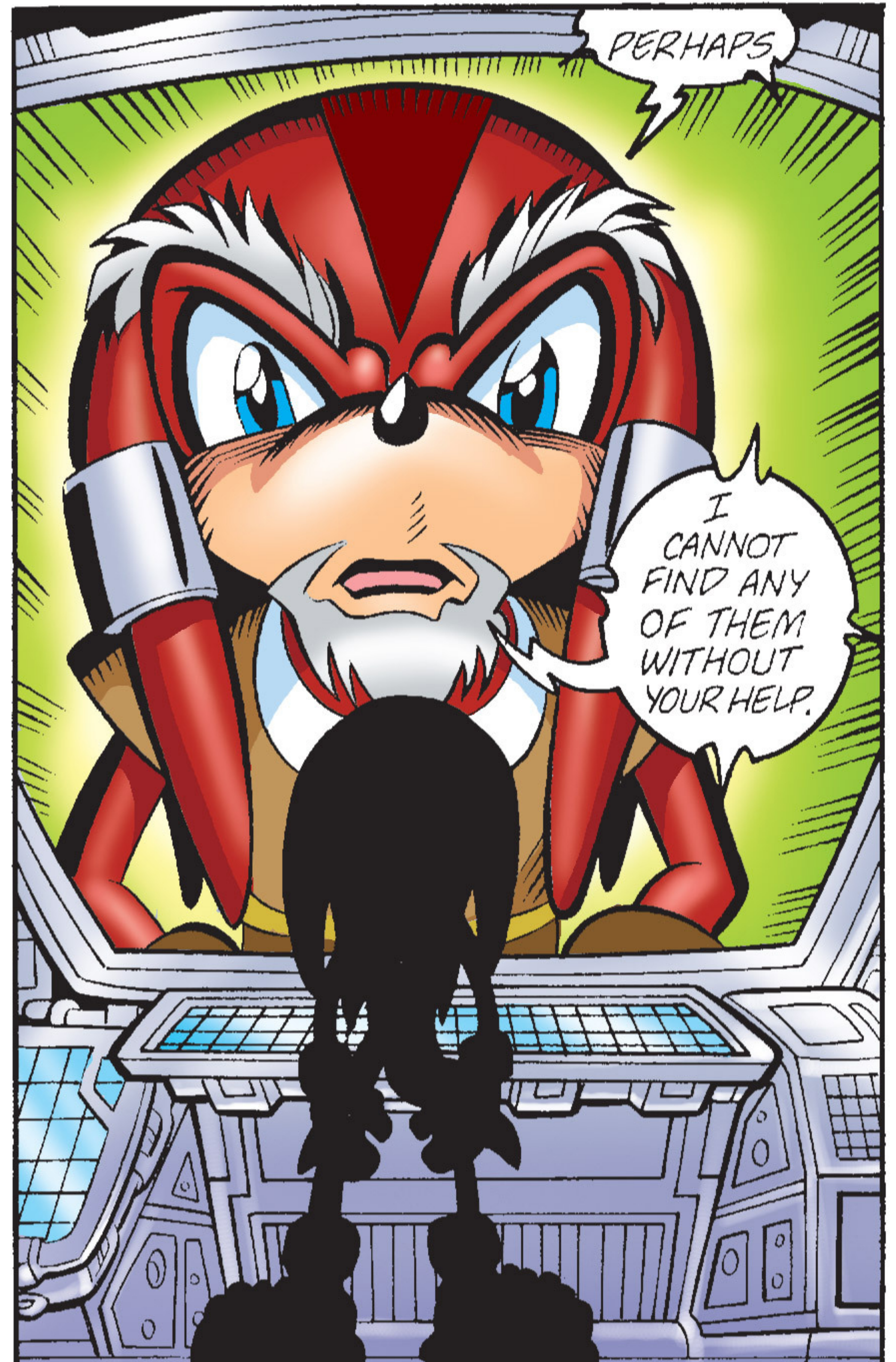
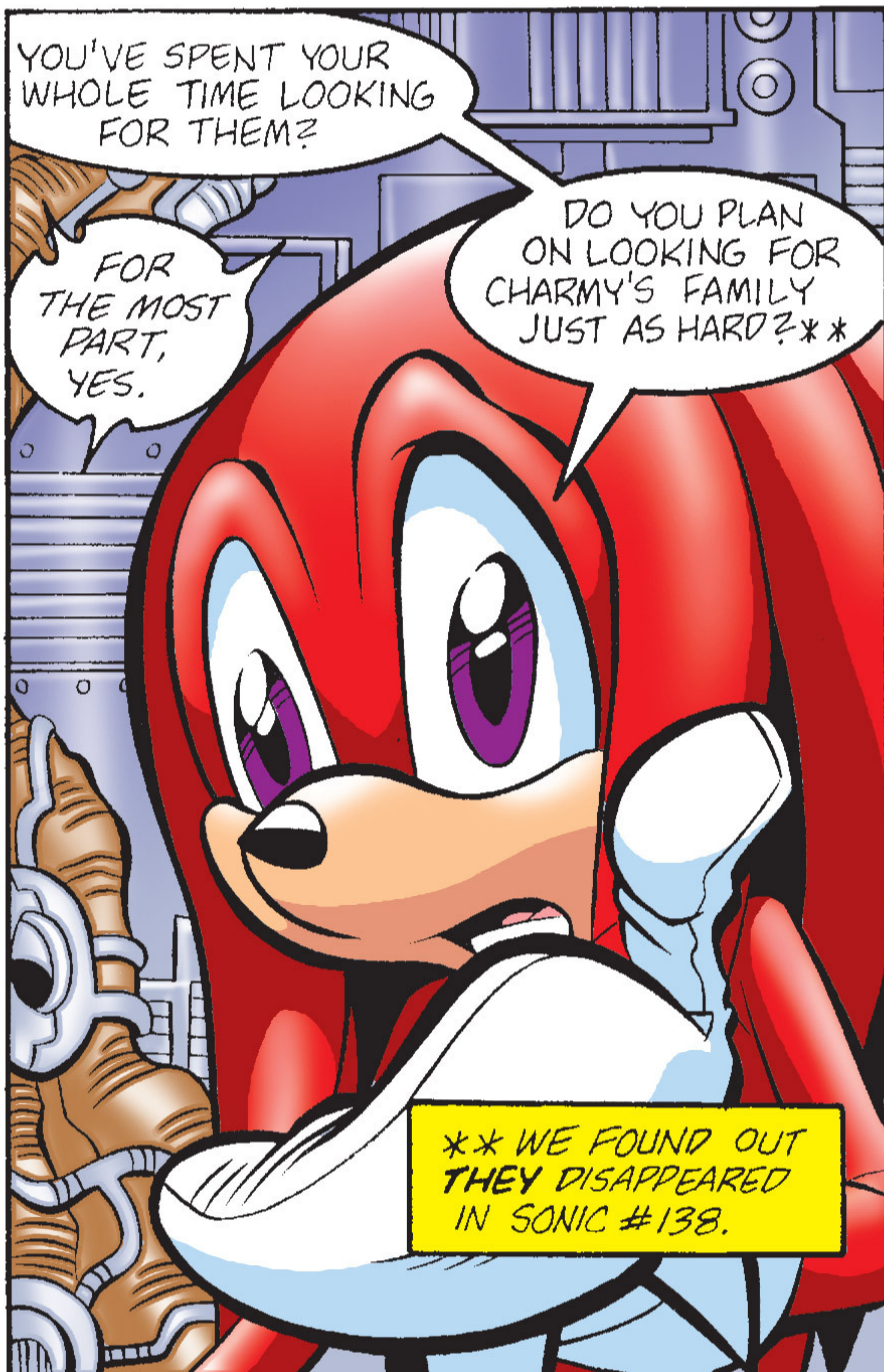
** SEE SONIC #141



THE DARK LEGION IS CAUGHT IN THEIR OWN CIVIL WAR.

LIEN-DA COMMANDS THE FLAME LEGION. WHILE AN UNKNOWN ECHIDNA IS NOW GRANDMASTER OF THE FROST LEGION.

WHAT?!





NO.



WHAT DID YOU SAY TO ME?

I SAID NO.

THE PROBLEMS ON ANGEL ISLAND ALL STEM FROM THE SAME SOURCE -- DR. ROBOTNIK.

YOU TAUGHT ME TO NEVER APPROACH THE PROBLEM HEAD-ON.

YOU TAUGHT ME TO LOOK AT ALL SIDES OF THE SITUATION.

I HAVE, AND I'VE FOUND THE BEST ROUTE TO SAVING ANGEL ISLAND--

-- AND EVERYONE ELSE--

-- IS TO DEFEAT DR. ROBOTNIK.





SO YOU PLAN ON JUST STAYING DOWN THERE RIGHTING WRONGS...

JUST LIKE THE BROTHERHOOD WAS DOING FOR YEARS?

YES, I AM!

YOU HAVE TO COME BACK, KNUCKLES.

I CANNOT GUARANTEE THE SAFETY OF YOUR MOTHER OR HER FAMILY.



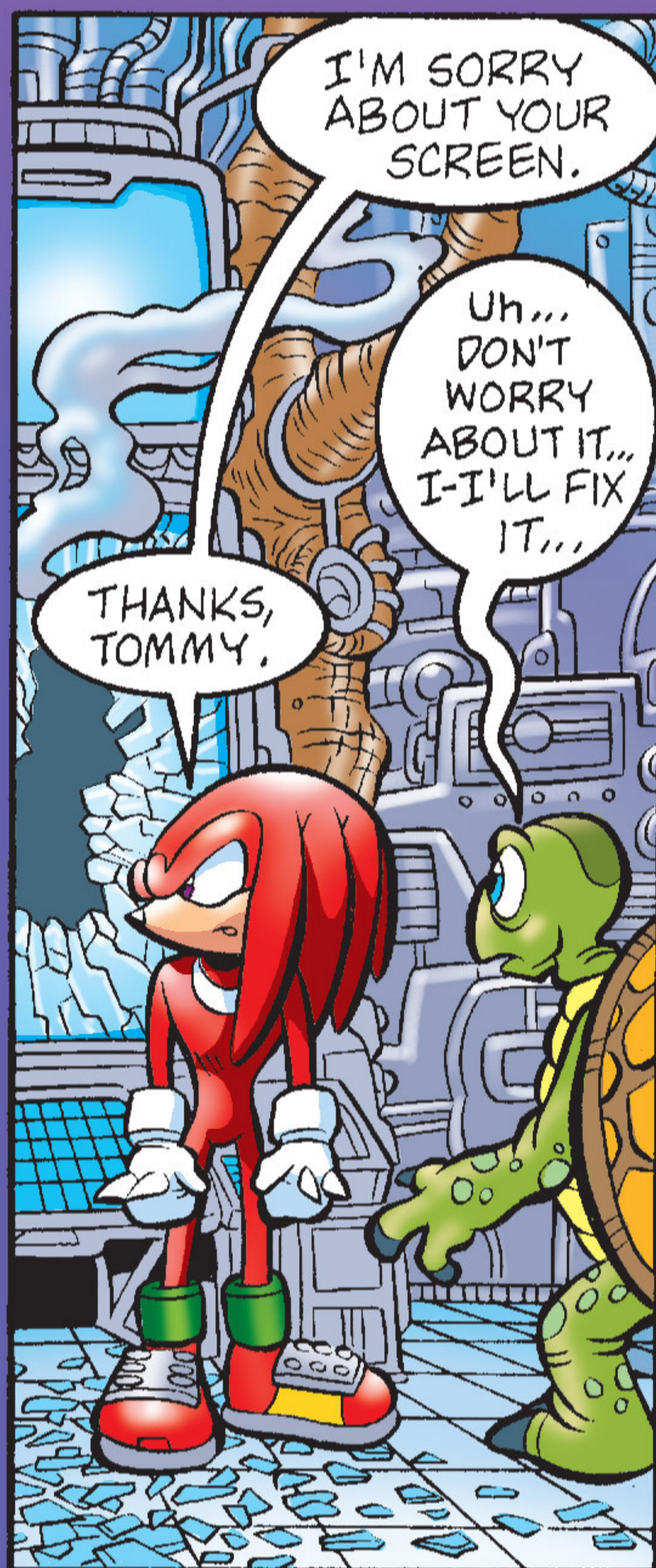
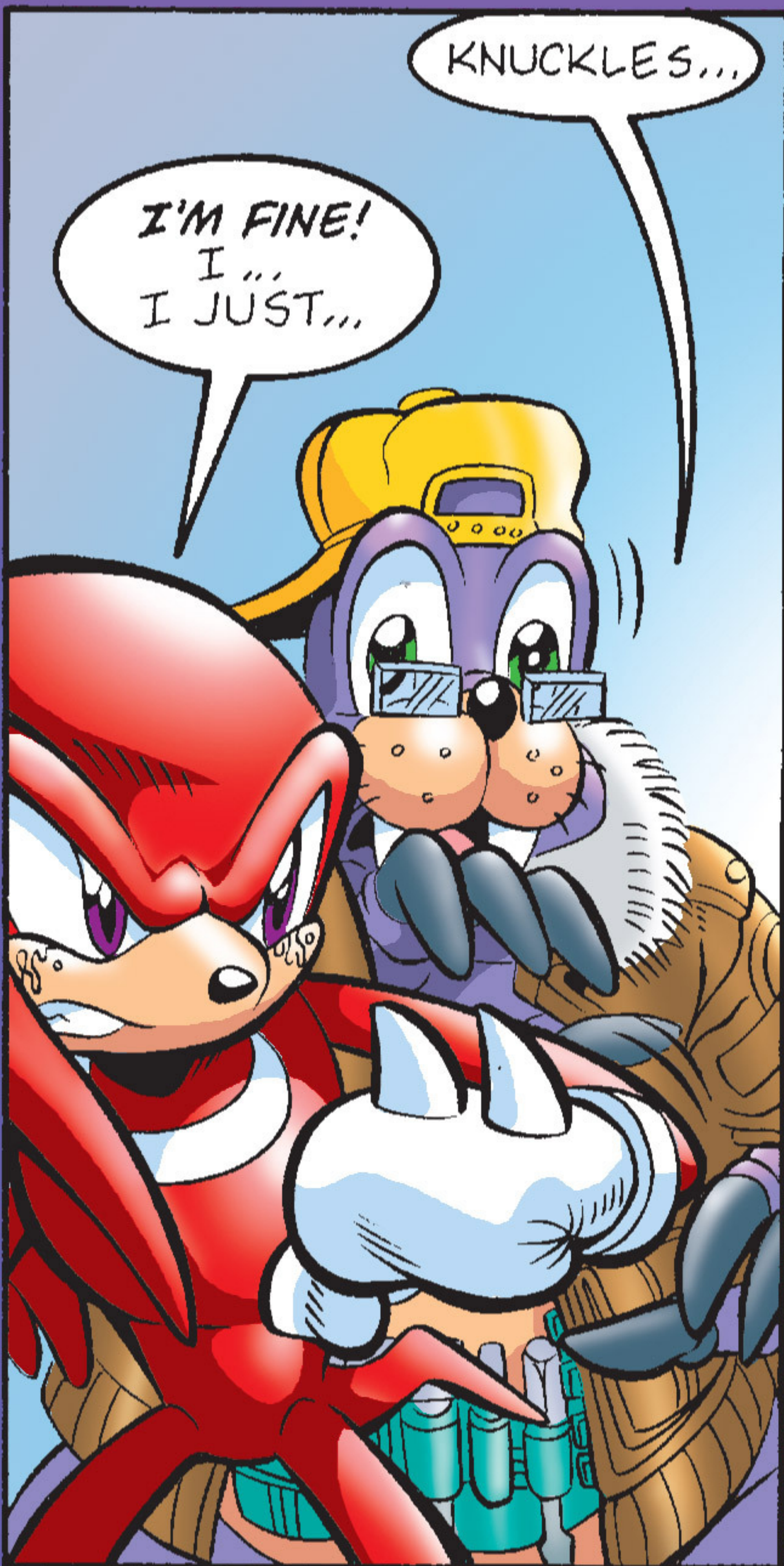
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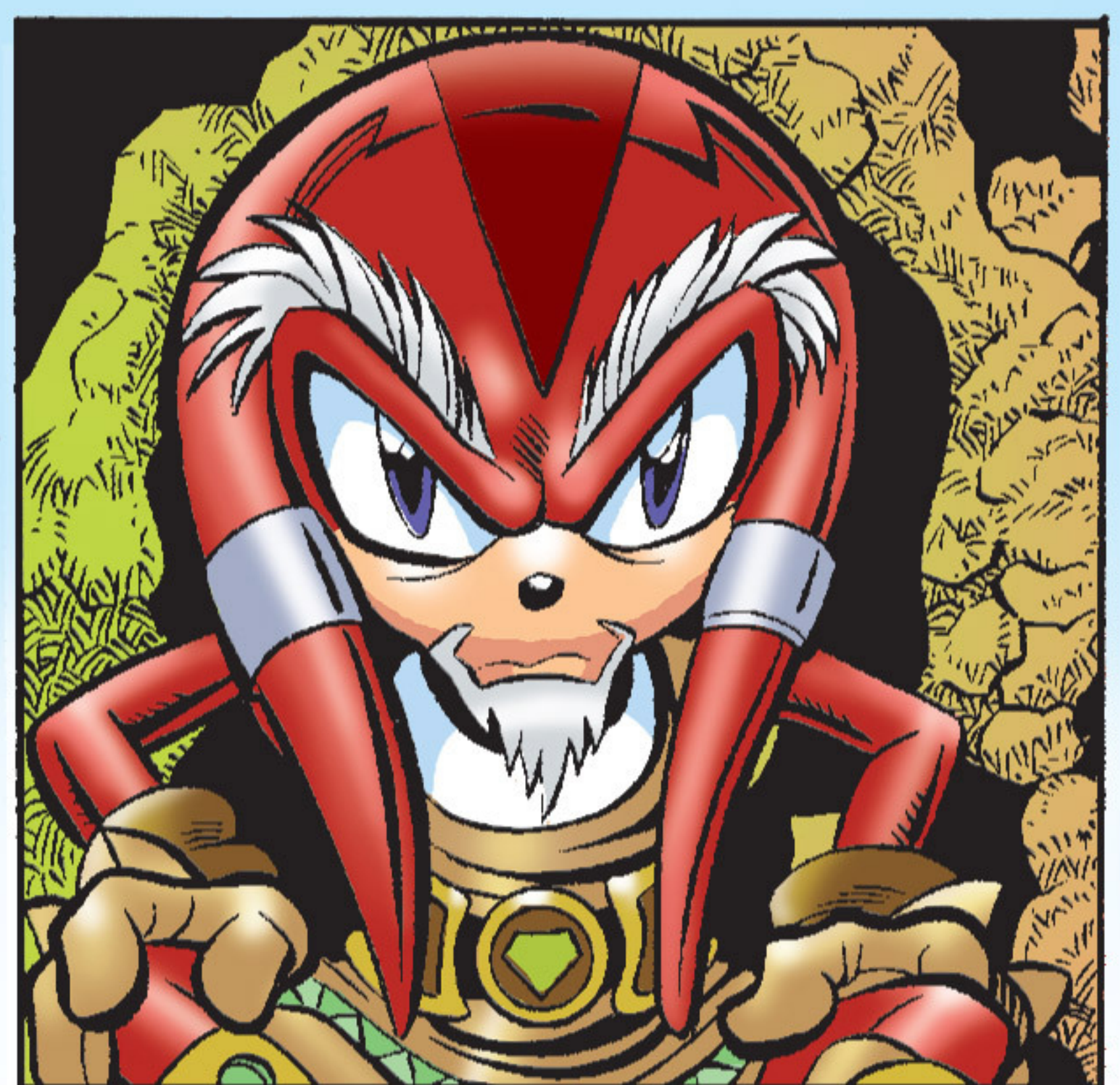
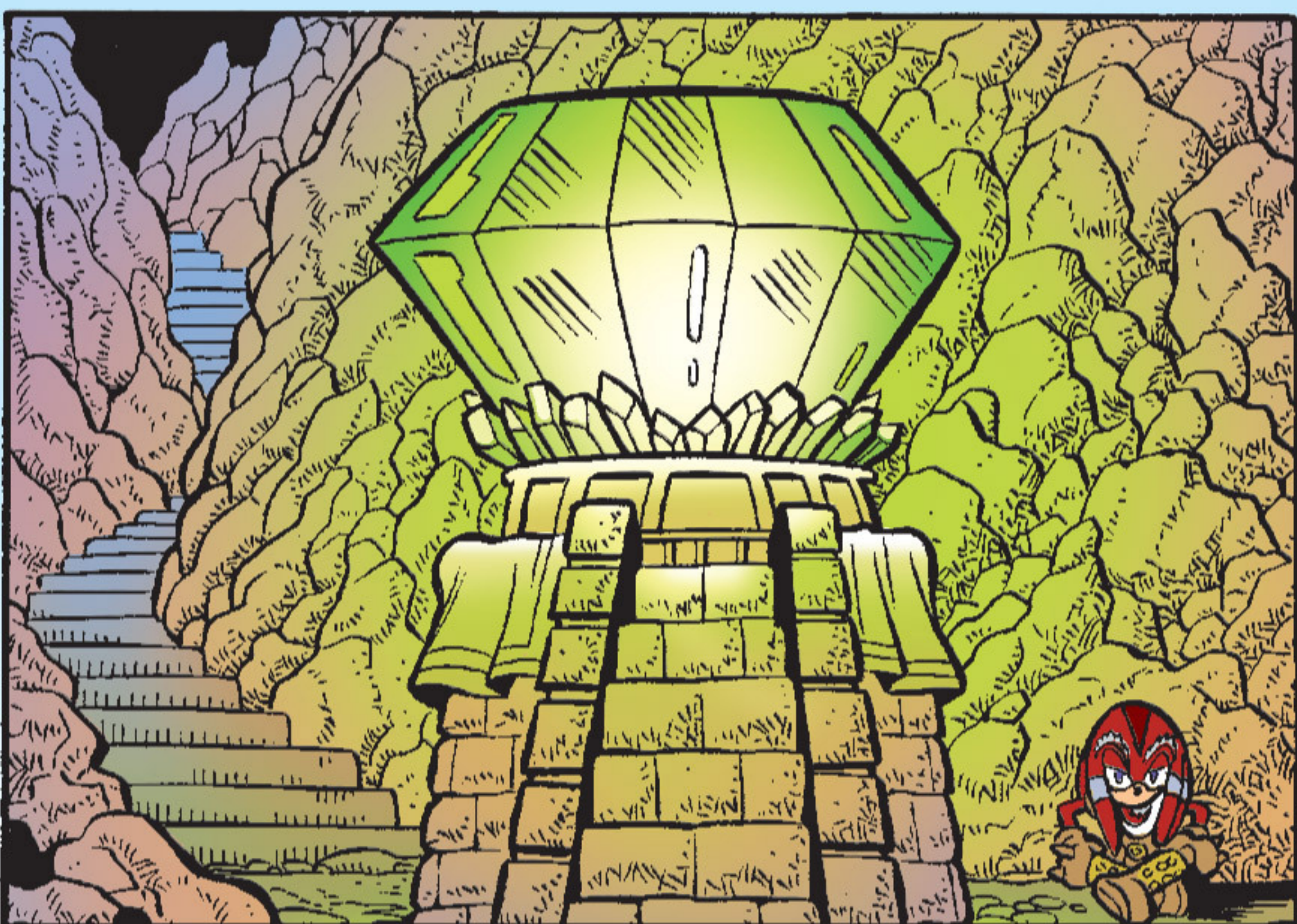
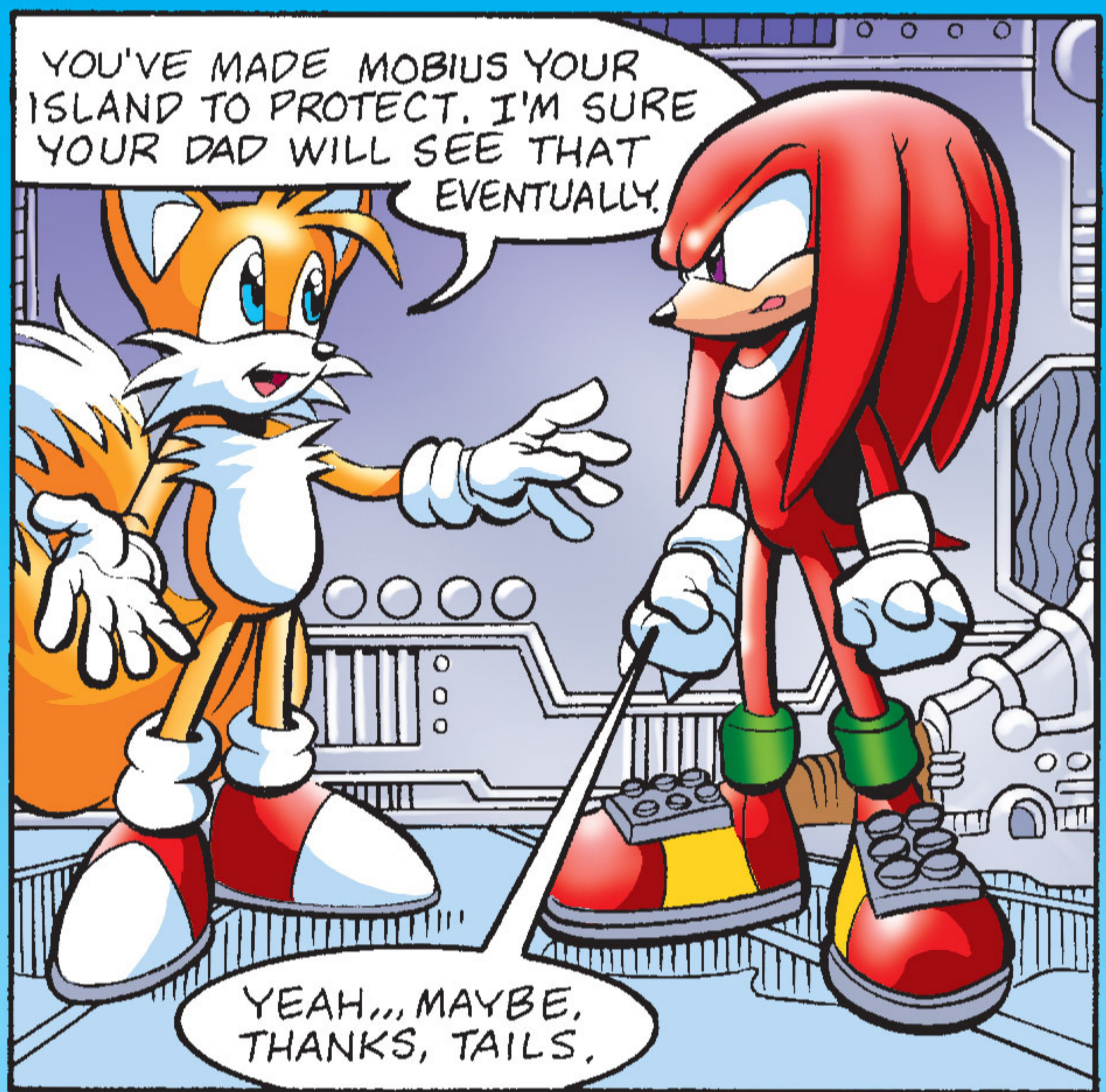


...DID...



...NOT...!!!





MOBIUS: 25 YEARS LATER IS BACK WITH A VERY DARK FUTURE FOR SONIC IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #166 ON SALE SEPTEMBER

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